



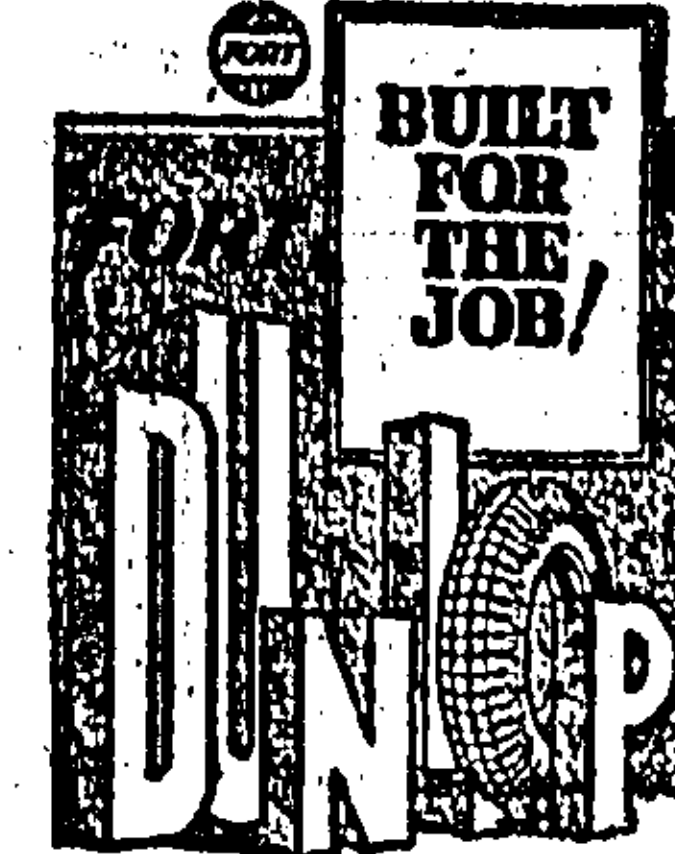
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TO-DAY'S MOMENTOUS MEETING

LEAGUE OF NATIONS PUT ON ITS METTLE

CHINA'S BOMBSHELL

CAUSES U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT GRAVE CONCERN.

Washington, Yesterday. The State Department has expressed the gravest concern at China's threat to declare war if the League fails to settle the Manchurian dispute. This statement is considered to be the most alarming and significant made since the trouble began, and Mr. Stimson immediately took up the matter to the exclusion of everything else.—Reuter's American Service.

China Drops a Bombshell.

Nanking, Yesterday. At a political meeting this morning Chiang Kai-shek announced strongly on the Sino-Japanese situation, and said he hoped the League would take steps, first of all for a just settlement of the imbroglio, and secondly to prevent an "almost inevitable war." He trusted the League would take proper measures to bring home to Japan her errors in refusing to abide by the League's decisions, and in occupying Chinese territory without justifiable grounds.

Chiang Kai-shek declared that the National Government had appealed to the League because, being a member, China was under an obligation to comply with the provisions of the Covenant. He also declared that the Japanese allegation that China went to the League for protection was false.

Threatens to Go to War. He declared that the National Government's patience had been tested to the last degree, and if the League failed, China would take the matter into her own hands. "China respects the Covenant and the Kellogg Pact, but if the League and Kellogg

Pact signatories fail to uphold their sacred duties, China will not hesitate to make the supreme sacrifice of bankrupting the country for half a century, to go to war, for upholding the dignity and sacred rights of International agreements and to safeguard world peace.—Reuter.

Lord Reading and Mr. Yoshizawa. Rugby, Yesterday. Lord Reading, Foreign Secretary, arrived in Geneva this morning to participate in tomorrow's meeting of the League Council discussions on the Manchurian dispute.

Soon after his arrival he held conversations with Mr. Yoshizawa, the Japanese delegate to the League. Sir Eric Drummond, Secretary-General of the League, attended the conference.—British Wireless Service.

Views 10,000 Miles Away. London, Sunday. It is impossible for the League of Nations to agree to the Japanese view that it should meet the Chinese complaints by merely recommending the Nanking Government to come to terms with its adversary quickly, says the Times in the course of an editorial comment.

Nor, says the journal, can it be possibly agreed that the military operations in Manchuria come under Article XV of the League Covenant. The Japanese Government has put itself in the wrong by permitting, or failing to prevent, repeated military action without submitting the dispute to the League.

To this breach, says the Times, is added a clear departure from the spirit of the Kellogg Pact.—Reuter.

BOARD OF TRADE RETURNS.

Figures for Month of September.

BETTER THAN AUGUST.

Rugby, Yesterday. Board of Trade returns for September show imports totalling \$68,317,926, being an increase of \$3,056,840 on August, and a decrease of \$10,271,517 on the previous September.

Exports for the last month aggregated \$29,846,057, an increase of \$709,142 on August, but a decrease of \$12,394,500 on September of last year.—British Wireless Service.

SCHOOL MASTER'S CASE.

Leave of Appeal Granted.

(Kowloon Magistracy).

Mr. M. K. Lo applied this morning for leave to appeal on behalf of Lau Wing-sang, the assistant master of the Yau Chi College, Yau-mai, who was sent to jail for 12 months after being convicted of having possession of certain writings calculated to persuade or induce persons from trading with, dealing with, or working for members of the Japanese community.

Mr. Lo contended that there was nothing in the sentence which the defendant had written on the blackboard to suggest boycott. The sentence was "The three provinces of the east are already captured by the Japanese slaves." The last word of the sentence might be used by anyone, and did not merit a sentence of one year's imprisonment. Further, he would go as far as to say that there was no evidence on which a Magistrate might possibly convict.

His Worship, "I suggest that you make that your ground for your application for a certificate for leave to appeal."

After further discussion Mr. Lo said, "I think this is a case where the decision of a higher tribunal would be very desirable."

His Worship, "I agree." Mr. Lo then intimated that he wished to put the case forward for appeal at the earliest possible moment, and submitted that in a case like the present one the Crown should not ask for costs, and that the case should not be prevented from going before the Court of Appeal because of costs.

In conclusion Mr. Lo said that his Worship could only refuse the application, if he considered the appeal to be frivolous.

The certificate for leave to appeal was granted, and the question of bail pending the hearing is to be considered.

ELECTION ACTIVITY.

Bar on Triangular Contests.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Election activity is proceeding at high pressure throughout the country. As nomination day approaches there are increasing indications of determination to avoid three-cornered contests as far as possible. In a number of London constituencies arrangements already have been made whereby Labour opposition will be met by only one candidate pledged to support the National Government on the basis of the Prime Minister's manifesto. Elsewhere efforts to effect similar arrangements between Liberals and Conservatives are proceeding.—British Wireless Service.

For driving an Austin car in Stewart Road at a speed of 25 m.p.h. and crossing two main thoroughfares without sounding the horn, a Chinese was, to-day, fined \$20.

BRITAIN'S VITAL STATISTICS.

Lowest Death Rate Registered.

BIRTHS STATIONARY.

Rugby, Yesterday. The lowest death rate ever recorded for children under one year in England and Wales is shown in the Registrar General's statistical review for 1930, namely sixty per thousand births. The previous low record was sixty-five per thousand for 1928. The birth rate for 1930 was 16.3 per thousand persons living. This rate is the same as that for the preceding year. The death rate was 11.4 per thousand of the total population, which is the lowest ever recorded.—British Wireless Service.

SANITARY COOLIES IMPRISONED.

Theft and Receiving.

Six privates of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, appeared as complainants in the case against three Chinese sanitary coolies employed at Shamshui Camp, who were charged with the theft and receiving of a large quantity of clothing, also hair brushes and boot brushes.

First defendant was sent to jail for three months, and the other two for six weeks.

LORD GREY.

Supports MacDonald Manifesto.

FREE HAND.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The veteran Liberal statesman, Lord Grey, in a speech in London this afternoon professed himself a warm supporter of the manifesto of the Prime Minister. He commended the honourable decisions of the Liberals who had stood aside in favour of National, Labour and Conservative candidates.

Referring to the disorganised state of the world he said that in view of the possibilities of complications arising it would be unfair to extort pledges from Government which would better their power to deal with emergencies.—British Wireless Service.

F. C. CHICHESTER

Busily Engaged in Writing a Book.

Kobe, October 3.

F. C. Chichester, New Zealand aviator who flew to Japan via New Guinea, the Philippines and China, only to crack up here, is busily engaged in writing up his experiences en route having recovered from the injuries he sustained in his crash at Katsura.

Chichester intends to return to England soon and obtain another plane in which to resume his aerial wanderings.

In the meantime he is working on a book which he will have published on his return to England. He gave his wrecked aeroplane to the students of a primary school at Katsura as a mark of appreciation for the courtesy he received in that city.—United Press.

A cubit was measured from the elbow to the tip of the middle finger?

A filament for a new type of electric lamp is one-fifth the thickness of a hair?

MOTOR SHOW

BRITISH EXHIBITS AT OLYMPIA.

REDUCED PRICES

DESIGNS SHOW IMPROVEMENT.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Annual Motor Show opens at Olympia, London, on Thursday. The total value of cars on view will be £750,000, and the total value of the Show, including speed boats and garage equipment, is estimated at over £1,000,000. The event is fully international for, practically, every country that makes cars will be represented. British firms provide about half of the exhibits. Designs show further improvements on recent years, and economy in running expenses have been effected in many directions. There have been extensive reductions in prices, which are accentuated in many foreign markets, since Britain went off the gold standard. Visitors to the Show will see the British motor-car, motor-boat and seaplane which hold world speed records for land, water and air.—British Wireless.

ADMIRAL JELICOE ILL.

London, Yesterday. Admiral Jellicoe is suffering from abdominal trouble. His condition is causing anxiety.—Reuter. [When Earl Jellicoe arrived at Southampton from Canada on



September 19, he was too unwell to see the Mayor, Councillor E. W. Cross, and a deputation from the British Legion.

Lady Prudence Jellicoe and Lady Myrtle Jellicoe were the only persons able to see their father.

Earl Jellicoe, who is understood to be suffering from bronchitis, was conveyed to his home in the Isle of Wight. He was attended by the ship's surgeon throughout the crossing.

During his visit to Canada he spent some time in a nursing home, and his daughter, Lady Gwendoline Jellicoe, was operated upon and his son had his tonsils removed. The Countess of Jellicoe remained in Canada with the two children.

FRENCH MANOEUVRES.

Cherbourg, October 3. General Douglas MacArthur, chief of staff of the United States army, sailed for home to-day after witnessing military manoeuvres in Europe.

He said as a result of his observations some of the United States army tactics may be altered.—United Press.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

No Change in the Outlook.

"QUIETLY STEADY."

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states:

The market this morning again opened quietly steady. Banks were on offer at \$1,650. Canton Insurances could have been obtained at \$1,500, and also H.K. Fires, at \$1,450.

"Doughlases" were wanted at \$24. Raubs were enquired for at \$35. Wharves were the medium of sales at \$150.

Providents (new) were done at \$2.60, and there were sellers of the old shares at \$5.40.

Hotels (old) were in demand at \$14.

Ewos were offering at \$16 1/2.

Zoong Sings were in demand at \$13.

Trams could have been obtained at \$20 1/2.

Electricity was to be had at \$77 1/4.

Telephones (part paid) were obtainable at \$29 1/4.

Cements (combined) were on offer at \$19.

Ropes, which were done at \$17 1/2, closed in demand at this rate.

Amusements were put through at \$24 1/2.

Constructions (new) were offering at \$1.10.

CHINA SEA CONDITIONS.

Strong Winds and Rough Seas.

Ships arriving in port, from both north and south, during yesterday and this morning, report encountering bad weather on the voyage. Golden Wall (Captain E. J. Anderson), from Los Angeles (September 16), and Lamit Bay, P.I. (October 10):—

"Strong N.N.E. winds and high, rough sea."

Kueichow (Captain D. Williams), from Tongku (October 7), and Wei-hai-wei (October 8):—

"Strong northerly winds, rough sea and swell. Overcast, dull weather."

Hangsang (Captain J. Moodie), from Tsingtao (October 4), and Swatow (October 11):—

"Strong N.E. monsoon weather with rough sea."

Alipore (Captain E. P. Lyndon), from Bombay (September 24), and Singapore (October 5):—

"From Bombay Reef strong gale from N.E. and very high sea and swell."

Sipivlok (Captain J. Venema), from Sourabaya (September 29), and Samarinda (October 4):—

"Northerly gale, heavy swell and sea."

Tsinan (Captain W. Shaw), from Shanghai (October 8), and Amoy (October 11):—

"Strong N.E. monsoon."

Canton (Captain F. Morvan), from Haiphong (October 10):—

"Strong N.N.E. winds, high sea."

WHAT GERMANY HAS TO FEAR.

Berlin, Yesterday. All Germany needs to fear now is "nervousness and alarmist speeches," according to the Finance Minister, Herr Dietrich, contradicting Dr. Schacht's assertions. Herr Dietrich says the Reichsbank has repaid 300,000,000 marks of the floating debt maturing this year, therefore, it cannot be said it is unable to meet its commitments.—Reuter.

Senders of telegrams are informed that, owing to one faulty cable between Hong Kong and Shanghai, telegrams to and from Shanghai and beyond may be subject to slight delay.

ANOTHER RESCUE AT SEA.

Kueichow Saves Seven Lives.

WEI-HAI-WEI JUNK.

Another story of a rescue at sea was related to-day, on the arrival in port of the s.s. Kueichow (Captain D. Williams), from Tongku and Wei-hai-wei.

The rescue occurred on the Kueichow's voyage north from Hong Kong on October 1, in a position some distance from Wei-hai-wei. She passed, some distance off, a waterlogged junk in Lat. 36.16 N., Long. 123.12 E., and on closer inspection found there were people on board. She approached the wreck and, after careful manoeuvring, succeeded in taking off the junk's crew of seven men. The men stated that they had been adrift for three days before being sighted by the Kueichow. Their craft had been caught in a severe gale which suddenly arose, and had shipped a lot of water. It was only by working continuously baling out water and lashing logs to the sides, that they succeeded in keeping the vessel afloat for so long. The men were, of course, in a very exhausted condition when rescued.

They are natives of Wei-hai-wei, and were on a voyage from Antung to Shitau with a cargo of logs, beans and beancakes. The Kueichow landed the survivors at Wei-hai-wei.

As the derelict junk was a danger to navigation, the Kueichow, after the rescue, wirelessed a warning to all ships in the vicinity.

That the depression in the vicinity of the wreck has not yet cleared is evident from the fact that the Kueichow reports that on her voyage back to Hong Kong she encountered strong northerly winds, rough sea and swell, and generally overcast and dull weather.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued to-day says:—

The anti-cyclone has moved to the N.E. of Tokyo.

The typhoon is probably about 100 miles E.S.E. of Oshima, moving N.E.

Forecast: N. winds, fresh to moderate; fine to cloudy.

Typhoon Warning.

The following telegram was received from the Manila Observatory by the American Consulate General this morning:—

Manila, October 12, 4 p.m.—

Typhoon in about 123 deg. Long. E., 24 deg. Lat. N., receding North-Eastward.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day nil. Total since January 1—74.52 inches against an average of 78.80 inches—deficit 4.28 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	68
Pratas Island	76
Macao	63
Manila	77
Amoy	69
Chefoo	54
Shanghai	59

Tabloid Telegrams.

(Reuter and British Wireless Services)

The death is announced of Sir Bertram Mackennal, R.A., the famous Scottish-Australian sculptor, at the age of 68. Many pieces of his work, which reveal rare idealism and ability, are to be found scattered through the cities of the Empire.

The hostility between certain sections of Liberal and Conservative candidates has been considerably lessened in the matter of contesting constituencies, but there are yet many Liberals whose attitude may force "three corner" fights. In the last election Labourites won 118 seats on a minority vote in such contests.

Twelve hundred candidates are now in the election field, compared with 1,729 in the last election. Every endeavour is being made to ensure straight fights between National Government supporters and Labourites.

Northern and Southern Rhodesia, also Finland, have abandoned the gold standard. In the last mentioned country the discount rate has been raised to 9 per cent.

Members of the League of Nations are assembling in Geneva for the momentous meeting of the Council to-day. Lord Reading

PASSPORTS FOR SHANGHAI.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton will ask the following questions:—

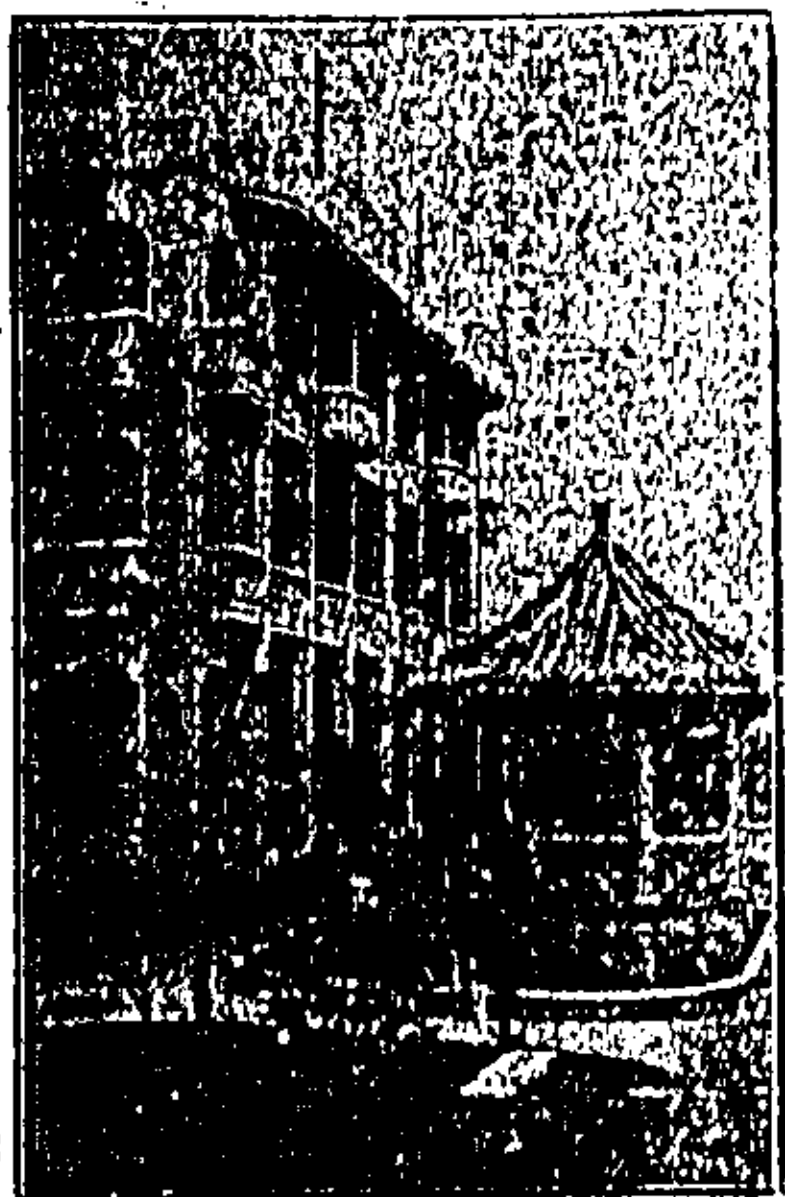
1. Is Government aware that British subjects proceeding from Hong Kong to Shanghai are called upon to have their passports viced on entering Shanghai, and that considerable inconvenience is caused to them thereby?
2. In the event of this practice being insisted upon will Government provide facilities for British subjects obtaining a Chinese visa in Hong Kong?
3. Is any distinction made between the Hong Kong born British subjects and other British subjects?

DEATH OF SHANGHAI OCTOGENARIAN.

Shanghai, To-day.

The death is announced of Mr. R. E. Toeg, the octogenarian racehorse owner and sharebroker.—Reuter.

Britain's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Viscount Cecil of Chelwood (the "British Apostle of Peace") are there. M. Briand is expected to arrive to-day. It is unfortunate that Senor Lenoux will be unable to attend.



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What Mail Reviewers Say.

"REACHING FOR THE MOON."

Athletic, bounding Douglas Fairbanks in a present day romance with vivacious Bebe Daniels as the cause of his heart flutter, is something unusual, and, boy, what a draw!

Well peppered with funny situations in which Doug, Bebe, Edward Everett Horton (as Doug's valet), and Claud Allister (as Sir Horace Partington Chelmsford, Bebe's fiancé), rise nobly to the occasion and make you rock with laughter, "Reaching for the Moon" is a happily thought out picture. It also gives plenty of scope for Doug's gymnastic stunts which is the foundation of his fame as a dare-devil.

In this picture Doug is a Wall Street financier who thinks his one love is his business and consequently takes scant notice of the girls, leaving them to the "softer" guys. Bebe, as a member of a famous flying family, herself a daring "birdie" but very feminine, is used to receive the attention of men. She is "stung" when Doug turns down an offer of an introduction to her, and sets out to vamp him "just to show him up."

She succeeds in having Doug reaching for the moon with a vengeance, but in the process she falls heavily for him too, and because he didn't know how to see it in her eyes, is bound to tell him that she loves him! The bout is therefore a draw. At least, they and all their friends think so. What Sir Horace thinks about it did not matter.

"SPEEDWAY."

A sound synchronised picture is the feature film now on the screen at the Star Theatre. It abounds in thrills and amusing incidents, and provides good entertainment. William Haines and Anita Page play the leading roles, while the others in the cast render adequate support.

The story revolves about a motor racing track, and the ambition of an old driver who, after 17 years of trying, finally, through the consideration of his adopted son, satisfies his heart's desire by winning a coveted honour.

Official Reviews.

"A CONNECTICUT YANKEE."

"One of the luckiest girls in the world," is the way Maureen O'Sullivan, beautiful and charming little Irish actress describes herself.

Miss O'Sullivan, in pictures just a trifle more than a year, already had played featured roles in four pictures for Fox, "Song O' My Heart," with John McCormack, "So This is London," with Will Rogers, "Just Imagine" with an all-star cast and "The Princess And The Plumber" with Charles Farrell, when she asked for a short vacation.

"If you will play the role of 'Allisande' in Will Rogers' starring picture, 'A Connecticut Yankee,' you can have two months off, and a trip home to Ireland thrown in," she was told.

She fairly leaped at the chance. She already had played in one Will Rogers picture and had announced afterward that he was her favourite actor.

So the little Irish girl, who a little more than a year ago was just the daughter of a retired Irish army officer, with never a thought

of career other than marriage and a home of her own some day, now has five pictures to her credit, all of them outstanding productions, and returns to Ireland a full-fledged movie star.

"A Connecticut Yankee," from Mark Twain's famous story, can now be seen and heard at the King's Theatre. It presents Will Rogers in the greatest role.

"ONE ROMANTIC NIGHT."

After the manner of little boys, Marie Dressler began her stage career at ten by running away from her home in Coburg, Canada, to play in a one ring circus. This international star, who is cast as "Beatrice" in "One Romantic Night," United Artists' all-dialogue version of Ferenc Molnar's "The Swan," starring Lillian Gish coming to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, eventually reached New York City where she set up a record as the highest kicking show girl before or after her. But kicking—pedal brand exclusively—got her nowhere, so she tried the vaudeville stage and there met with real success.

In 1914, she lent her comedy talents to "Tillie's Punctured Romance" in which she co-starred with Charlie Chaplin for Mack Sennett.

In "One Romantic Night" the famous comedienne plays a serio-comic dowager princess whose efforts to marry her daughter to a crown prince result in success but not in the way she had planned.

POLICE WIRELESS.

Sixty cities in the United States are now equipped with police wireless systems, and others will follow. A year ago there were less than ten.

While the police authorities in Britain are talking about what are obviously the best methods of catching motor highwaymen, thieves, and burglars, the United States police are putting these methods into execution.

Lawbreakers who evade the local police and leave for other cities now find that details of their crimes have preceded them. In many cases patrolmen, supplied with receiving apparatus, have been able to intercept fugitives on the highway.

For some inscrutable reason the authorities in Britain are always painfully slow in accepting the utility of new ideas. For many years Scotland Yard refused to install the telephone at headquarters and police stations. Bandits used motor-cars long before the police thought of them.

What about wireless? There is one police wireless station in Britain, and that is at New Scotland Yard. It is used for Metropolitan police purposes only, and its messages to the wireless-equipped Flying Squad cars have brought about the arrest of some of the most dangerous criminals in the country.

The system could and should be extended to all the mobile police in the 700 square miles controlled by the London police and to the rest of the country.

As long as last April the County Chief Constables recommended the Home Office to set up a national wireless installation, by means of which it would be possible to circulate the details of grave crimes to all mobile police squads.

For exceeding the twenty miles an hour speed limit in the Outer Circle, Regent's Park, the Marquis of Douglas and Clydesdale, who is well known as an amateur boxer, was at Marylebone Police Court fined 40s.

MAN'S SEVEN MURDERS.

His "Mail Order" Brides.

DUNGEON USED AS SLAUGHTER- HOUSE.

New York, Aug. 30.

Harry F. Powers, alias Cornelius Pierson, of Quiet Dells, near Clarkstown (West Virginia), is in the county gaol with a mob clamouring to lynch him because he has confessed to crimes placing him in the front rank of murderers and marriage "racketeers."

The case, as at present envisaged, indeed resembles that of the French wholesale murderer, Landru, who killed a dozen "wives" and a boy some years ago.

Powers, a short, fat, smug-faced man, wearing big horn spectacles, admits slaying Mrs. Asta Elcher, handsome dark-eyed widow of 50, of Park Ridge (Illinois)—a "mail order sweetheart" whose acquaintance he made through a matrimonial advertisement—and her three children, aged five, eight, and twelve years.

But he is accused of killing at least three more persons. Their identity has not yet been established, but their bodies were dug up yesterday near a garage.

They include that of a young woman, and Powers has admitted murdering her. But he said he did not know her name. The police believe she was Dorothy Pressler, of Worcester, Massachusetts.

Powers' garage was built of stout boards and sound-proof, apparently, with a "basement" or dungeon which the self-confessed criminal used both as slaughter-house and matrimonial bureau.

"High Pressure" Love Letters.

With seven victims laid to Powers' account, the police and the neighbours are still digging around the garage and the site of the six-roomed house which was owned by his wife until a few weeks ago, when it was mysteriously burned to the ground.

A series of "high pressure" love letters, systematically typed in categories numbered from One to Ten, and a list of addresses of "prospects," some living in New York and Brooklyn, and a batch of matrimonial advertisements were found in the underground office. They convinced the police that Powers worked on a national scale, and they are investigating clues relating to the disappearance of a dozen women at least—usually widows past middle age with moderate fortunes who were tired of a solitary life and pined for a quiet country home "with every comfort and also an honest man's love." These, in fact, were the temptations which the wily "marriage racketeer" offered them in letter Number One. He clinched the offer with letter Number Ten of his matrimonial series, which was his last passionate word in "mail-order wooing."

The First Discovery.

The disappearance of Mrs. Elcher, the widow of a silversmith, with a considerable sum in cash and her children from Park Ridge last June was followed shortly afterwards by a letter from Quiet Dells asking for the transfer of the woman's bank account to her new address in West Virginia. This led to a police inquiry.

Powers, who described himself as an engineer with an income derived from oil-wells, was a mysterious character to the village folk of Quiet Dells.

The climax came on Friday, when

Mrs. Elcher's body, wrapped in sack, was excavated from a pit behind the garage, and soon afterwards, in another hole, the bodies of her three children were found. All were wrapped in burlap, and were much decomposed. Powers was arrested, and also his wife and sister. But the man in his confession, made yesterday after a night of questioning confessed that he murdered Mrs. Elcher and her three children, Greta, Harry, and Annabel, and he further, in a signed statement, absolved his wife and sister-in-law of any complicity in the crimes.

Third Degree All Night Ordeal. Powers was the picture of calm cocksureness when arrested. But the "third degree" all night left him perspiring, dishevelled, and distraught. To-day he asked to see the Rev. Thomas Ebenezer Gainer, a local Baptist pastor, and to the clergyman he said, regarding the Elchers: "I took them to the cellar and strangled them. Then I hit them all over the head with a hammer. Oh! I am so sorry. I want to get right with God."

The murderer told the pastor he had been "money-crazy." He has read stories of "Bluebeards" and "racketeers," and they had hypnotised him.

His matrimonial advertisement described him as a rich engineer whose business enterprises prevented him making the personal acquaintance of the woman he was writing to—"making social contacts," as he put it. But it said, "My wife would have her own motor-car and plenty of spending money." In his form letter Number One, written by hand, which he addressed to the widow, Mrs. Elcher, he wrote:

"Death has taken my previous wife from me, leaving me very lonely. I am longing for someone to fill that empty space in my heart. Women are the sweetest, the purest, the most unselfish part of the human race. They sing the melody of human life. Any man who has experienced a mother's devotion, a wife's self-sacrificing love, or a sweetheart's affection, knows this is true. I have a small photo of myself. May I send it? And yours will be greatly appreciated. Do send it, please, and write me a note."

The latest charge against Powers is bigamy. Twelve months ago, it is alleged, he married a woman at Clarksburg under the name of Cornelius Mathias, and this woman is still living.

This evening State troopers, armed with machine-guns and tear-gas bombs, were stationed around the gaol, and a squad was posted outside the prisoner's cell.

JAPAN USES STAMPS TO ADVERTISE SCENES.

Depicting the beauty spots of the country on postage stamps for advertising purposes is the latest device hit upon by the Japanese Government. The Minister of Railways in Tokyo is giving out a special issue of stamps in blocks of 25, showing the "beauty scenes of Nippon."

These include the Imperial Castle at Tokyo, the Nara Park, the Yomei Gate at Nikko, Lake Chuzenji, Mount Fuji and other tourist resorts. The stamps are unusually attractive examples of the lithographer's art.

REBATE FOR QUICK LUNCHERS.

The motto "Time is money" has been put to practical use in a restaurant on the banks of the Seine, says Reuter from Paris.

On the window appears the following notice:—"The price of our luncheon is 6.50 francs, but customers who finish their lunch before noon will only pay 5.75 francs."

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Gittins May Be Unable to Compete.

THE HARBOUR RACES.

The Half Mile Free Style Championship of the Colony will be held at the Victoria Recreation Club on Wednesday, the 21st instant, at 6 p.m.

Entries for this event have been received from, C. J. Cooke, L. Roza Pereira, R. Cavanagh, D. Lyon and S. V. Gittins. It is very doubtful whether Gittins will compete, as he has just recovered from an illness. R. Cavanagh is an "unknown quantity" from the 12th Heavy Bty. but is reported to have been assiduously practising for the event for the past few weeks. C. J. Cooke, our veteran swimmer has again entered after a lapse of two years.

Harbour Races.

Club Secretaries are requested to note that entries for The Annual Harbour Races to be held on the 19th and 20th October close with the Hon. Secretary, V.R.C. on Thursday, October 15, at 6 p.m.

The Ladies' Harbour Race will be held on Monday, October 19 while the Open Harbour Race will be held on the following day. The Race are timed to start at 5.15 p.m. from Kowloon.

SHANGHAI BEAT VICTORIA.

Hold Upper Hand Throughout.

Playing on the Craigengower bowling green yesterday afternoon Shanghai defeated Victoria, Hong Kong, by five shots, the final score being Shanghai 21, Victoria 16.

Shanghai.		Victoria.	
C. Glover	E. B. Reed	J. Hollidge	
T. Main	J. Hollidge	D. Rumjahn	
H. Peck	D. Rumjahn		
G. B. Stormes	R. Bana		
(Skip) 21	(Skip) 16		
1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8
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10	10	10	10
11	11	11	11
12	12	12	12
13	13	13	13
14	14	14	14
15	15	15	15
16	16	16	16
17	17	17	17
18	18	18	18
19	19	19	19
20	20	20	20
21	21	21	21

LADIES' RECREATION CLUB.

Draw for Season's Tournaments.

The draw for the ladies' open singles lawn tennis Championship of the Colony took place at the Ladies' Recreation Club last evening, the results being as follows:

Miss L. Hutcheson v. Mrs. K. M. Wood.

Mrs. Dook v. Mrs. Keary.

Mrs. James v. Miss D. Graham.

Mrs. Tottonham v. Miss Enid Lo.

Mrs. M. Majendle v. Mrs. McTavish.

Miss G. Lo v. Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu.

Miss R. Perry v. Miss Thomas.

Mrs. Lockner (bye).

Hard Courts Tournament.

The draw in connection with the Club hard courts tournament was as follows:—

Open Mixed Doubles.

Mrs. Church and Capt. Williams v. Mrs. Stafford Smith and Capt. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood v. Mrs. Keary and Mr. H. J. Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. Mackie v. Miss Adams and Mr. T. A. Martin.

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

SHARKEY BEATS CARNERA.

Win on Points.

New York, To-day.

Jack Sharkey, the Boston sailor, outpointed Primo Carnera, the giant Italian, in his fifteen-round title fight at Ebbets Field last night.—Reuter's American Service.

Earlier News.

New York, Yesterday.

After two postponements the fifteen round fight between Primo Carnera and Jack Sharkey which the New York commission will recognize as a world's championship fight takes place at Ebbets Field to-night, weather permitting. Carnera weighed in at 18 stone 9 lb and Sharkey at 14 stone 6½ lb.—Reuter's American Service.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

Draw for Championship Qualifying Round.

The following is the draw for the qualifying round of the Club Championship to be played over the Kowloon Course on Sunday.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

HOCKEY.—To-day—Y.M.C.A. v. 3/9th Jat Regiment; K.B.S.F.P.A. Ladies v. Recreio.

To-morrow—H.K. Hockey Club v. 3/9th Jat Regiment.

Friday H.K. Hockey Club "A" v. Club de Recreio.

L.A.W.N. BOWLS.—To-day—Shanghai v. Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

To-morrow—Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Second Rink).

Thursday—Shanghai v. Second Division.

Friday—Shanghai v. Happy Valley.

Saturday—Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Third and Last Rink).

PING PONG.—To-day—Men's Championship—Lee Chun-kai v. Chai Fook-shing.

Thursday—Men's Championship—Siu Siu-ching v. Siu Siu-kow.

AQUATICS.—Thursday—Entries close for V.R.C. Harbour Races at 6 p.m.

October 25. The sixteen best scratch scores will qualify for the first round of the Championship proper, which will be decided on November 8:—

8.30 a.m.—G. H. Russell v. A. W. da Roza.

8.35 a.m.—F. E. Remedios v. A. Laughton.

8.40 a.m.—H. H. Mundy v. G. E. L. Johnson.

8.45 a.m.—H. T. Buxton v. J. D. Thomson.

8.50 a.m.—P. W. T. Planner v. A. A. Lopes.

8.55 a.m.—J. McKelvie v. J. Gellatly.

9 a.m.—G. D. Reid v. H. Overy.

9.05 a.m.—W. M. Groves v. W. Taylor.

9.10 a.m.—E. da Roza v. H. S. Dinadale.

9.15 a.m.—D. C. Wilson v. A. Tate.

9.20 a.m.—Dr. Cogan v. R. W. Snapped.

9.25 a.m.—J. Pooler v. J. J. Cameron.

9.30 a.m.—J. King v. W. L. Plew.

9.35 a.m.—A. T. Bracey v. J. M. Purves.

9.40 a.m.—A. A. Dand v. W. Hyde.

9.45 a.m.—T. J. Price v. A. Partner.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

In the Bogey Pool played over the Old Course at Fanling during the week-end H. Lowe (18) returning a card of all square was successful.

Other scores were:—C. W. F. Booker (6) one down; and F. C. B. Black (16) one down.

There were 43 entries.

The Bogey Pool over the New Course and the Medal Round over the Old Course failed to attract sufficient entries and are cancelled.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark (bye).

Men's Singles.

A. H. McBride (bye).

T. A. Martin (bye).

S. O. Hill (bye).

Capt. Williams v. D. T. Mackie.

Capt. H. R. Cooke (bye).

R. M. Wood (bye).

A. D. Humphreys (bye).

H. J. Armstrong (bye).

Owing to lack of entries, the ladies' doubles handicap and the mixed doubles handicap have been cancelled.

K.B.S.F.P.A. DRAW WITH CLUB "A".

Moses and Francis Outstanding.

ERRATIC SHOOTING.

Yesterday afternoon, the Club "A" team entertained the K.B.S.F.P.A. to a goalless draw in their hockey fixture at King's Park.

The game commenced rather late, as a result of which only one full half could be played.

The K.B.S. set the ball in motion with a fierce attack on the Club goal, but nothing materialised. Indeed, the Club's defence was kept continually on the alert by a smart F.P.A. forward line which, in spite of repeated raids, failed miserably in front of goal. Outstanding in the Club's defence was E. S. Moses, the goal-keeper. He played a splendid game and time and again cleared when hard pressed, while C. C. Francis, the F.P.A. centre forward, was the pick of a fast forward line.

Result:—
Club "A" 0
K.B.S.F.P.A. 0

CLUB RUGBY TRIAL TO-MORROW.

Several Good Players Not Participating.

SEGALEN SCRUM-HALF.

The Hong Kong Rugby Club's first trial takes place to-morrow at Happy Valley at 5.20 p.m. A number of players are not included in the teams chosen as they are participating in the Interport cricket trials, while others are as yet unfit, but these will get a try out in the subsequent trials, as will also any new members not included in the teams for Wednesday's game.

The teams for the first trial will be as follows:—

Colours:—S. Fox; G. P. Lammert, G. A. L. Plummer, C. J. D. Law, A. N. Other; M. W. Turner, L. G. Robertson; E. F. Buttress, W. Mifford, R. Stillard, A. R. Cox, Andrews, D. McLellan, W. B. Smith, and J. G. Devonshire.

Club Colours:—J. P. Whitham; R. D. Beaumont, R. H. D. Wade, E. R. K. Bovill, W. D. Johnson; J. S. Lee, Y. V. Segalen; W. F. Peers, F. A. Morry, J. H. McElney, F. R. Burch, E. R. West, B. P. Massey, B. L. Stock, and E. B. Gammell.

Referee: W. F. Leckie.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE TO-DAY.

Friendship Becomes Favourite.

LATEST ODDS.

London, Yesterday.

The one Cambridgeshire scratch-off occurred to-day at nine o'clock when Lady Marjorie was withdrawn.

The Victoria Club call over for the Cesarewitch reads as follows:

7/1 Friendship o., 15/2 t.

100/12 Blue Vision.

9/1 Khorsheed, t. and o.

15/1 Son of Mint, o., 16/1 t.

100/6 Sandals o., 18/1 t.

18/1 Noble Star o., 20/1 t.

20/1 Trunchon o., 22/1 t.

18/1 Notice Board o., 20/1 t.

20/1 Prince Paradise o., 25/1 t.

25/1 Trischateau, t. and o.

33/1 Advancer o., 30/1 t.

40/1 Summer Princess.

50/1 Chelmarsh.

50/1 Insurance, t. and o.

50/1 Arctic Star, t. and o.

50/1 Bally Murphy, t. and o.

50/1 British Sailor, t. and o.

66/1 Cacao.

66/1 Cletta.

66/1 Leonidas II.

66/1 Earnhill.

66/1 Leonard.

66/1 Joyous Greeting.

66/1 Old Orkney.

66/1 Sixwheeler, t. and o.

66/1 Timber o.

100/1 Stolen Flame, t. and o.

66/1 Jugo, t. and o.

66/1 Bullyscanlon.

200/1 Richborough o.

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AMATEUR IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.

Criticism at Summer School.

"TRIES TO DO TOO MUCH."

"Incompetent amateurs of local government" and "pampered pets of administration" were referred to by Mr. Ivor Jennings, of the London School of Economics, in a lecture at the Local Government Officers' Summer School at Oxford. The amateurs were to be found, he said, in the committees of local authorities.

The main fault of the committee system was that the committee members tried to administer instead of merely to police, and this might be one of the reasons for the lack of interest in county elections. Committees and sub-committees ought to take decisions only on broad policy, and the details should be left to experts and not to incompetent amateurs.

Speaking of the law relating to local authority, Mr. Jennings said: "From the point of view of justice you ought to have a much more strict law against a public authority than against a private individual. A public officer has to be more careful than a private individual and the rules which apply in business are not necessarily going to apply in public administration. All public administration should be fundamentally honest. The consumer in business is a pigeon waiting to be plucked, but the citizen is the pampered pet of public administration."

Of the system of bureaucracy he said: "You must not be frightened by the word bureaucracy. A hundred years ago it had an ugly sound to our ancestors, who felt that the few were going to be governed by the many and that all law and order would be at an end. To-day we fear that the many are going to be governed by the few, and that our freedom is going to be lost. The word bureaucracy describes what is a necessary part of modern government."

"The country can no longer be governed by any gentleman who has made the Grand Tour. Nowadays, whether central or local, administration must be very largely in the hands of the experts. It would be a pure bureaucracy if the officials were allowed to govern as a whole, but they are not. You must keep control in your hands. What you must have in a modern State is not a pure democracy, but a tempered democracy. The criticism which can most easily be levelled against local government is that the amateurs try to do too much."

On the subject of local government law Mr. Jennings said that most judges had to follow the example of the famous Lord Chancellor, who took all knowledge as his province. "The judges' whole training may have been the passing of a few very easy examinations, dealing a few years for a barrister, and so on. If he has any knowledge of the problems of State, one is very lucky. He is likely to know very little of theory and economics, and yet he may have to make a decision in a matter of fundamental importance in the affairs of the State."

Mr. Jennings referred to Miss Milly Orpen's recent action in connection with the Sunday opening of cinemas, and spoke of the decision that the London County Council had acted illegally in the matter. "The London County Council," he said, "is acting as the representative of the inhabitants of London, and surely it represents them in this connection. The great majority of Londoners desire the opening on Sunday, and the L.C.C. is carrying out its obvious public duty in doing what its inhabitants want no longer as it is not illegal."

"The obvious public duty of a council is to obey the law, but as far as I know there is no legal duty for the council to enforce others to obey the law. In the recent action brought by Miss Orpen the law was proved to be indefinite, and the L.C.C. and the courts disagreed as to what the law meant."

Mr. Jennings added that the technique of administration had outstripped the technique of the law, and suggested that special administrative courts should be created.

From The Bumpist.—(Ill), discussing local M.P.s: "It says 'o's applied for the Chiltern 'Undred'. Sam: 'Reg'lar money-grabber, 'o is. Why 'e don't earn the four 'undred 'e's getting already!'"

TRAMP STEAMERS NEARLY OVER.

World's Trade Turns to Ocean Liner.

The tramp steamer which used to ply to the strange ports of the world seeking cargoes probably soon will join the sailing vessel in near-extinction.

A calculation made in London shows that liners, both passenger and cargo, running on regular routes and time, as contrasted with the tramp, comprise about 70 per cent. of the world's tonnage. Liners totalled but 36 per cent. of the world's tonnage in 1913.

The change has been particularly noticeable in the port of London, where, outside the timber trade, there now are very few tramps as compared with pre-war days. Nearly everybody prefers to send goods in "parcels" up to 10,000 tons or more on one of too regular line ships.

Canadian mail, for instance, used to cross the Atlantic and Pacific in tramp steamers. Now a large part of it comes across the ocean in the Canadian Pacific's fast cargo liners or in the holds of passenger ships. There are half a dozen regular lines on the north Pacific, formerly a tramp area, and even the River Plate ports are now on the schedules of the liners.

Sea affairs in general have been changed considerably by the shift from tramp steamer to liner. The seaman no longer signs on for a voyage "not exceeding two years," but can tell his wife almost to the day when he will return. Jobs are steadier, for cargo liners stick to their schedule.

But with the passing of the tramp steamer passes some of the last vestiges of the pioneering of another day, and one of the last links between the ship owner and the merchant adventurers of the seventeenth century is broken.

SCRAPPING TANKER

Result of Improvement in Construction.

With the magnificent new tonnage which they are now bringing into service the British Tanker Company is naturally disposing of some of the many miscellaneous ships which it collected in its early days. Most of these were very old indeed, but they included a number of the War-built ships which were hurriedly converted into tankers with cylindrical tanks.

Japanese scrappers have just bought the British Fern, although she was only built in 1917 for the Shipping Controller, who placed her under the management of Messrs. Lane and MacAndrew. She had a gross tonnage of 5,833, and triple expansion engines, giving her a speed of under 11 knots, the oil being stored in cylindrical tanks.

As soon as she was completed she was taken up as a naval oiler, and had plenty of excitement before the Armistice. In June, 1917, Captain Edwards, who was in command, sighted a submarine crossing her course off the south-west coast of Ireland. He attempted to ram, but the U-boat was too quick in submerging. Twenty minutes later, seeing her come to the surface again, he gave her such a reception with his 4.7 inch gun that the chase was hurriedly abandoned.

A fortnight later she encountered another enemy submarine in the Atlantic which fired 100 rounds at her, but only scored one hit before she, too, decided to seek easier prey.

After the Armistice she was sold to the British Tanker Company and renamed British Fern, attracting attention at the end of 1920 by rescuing the crew of the Lunenburg schooner, Bernard B. Conrad, and in 1922 took the first bulk cargo of oil sent from the Persian Gulf to Australia. Latterly she has been on the more local services, and now goes to the scrapers on account of the great improvements recently made in tanker construction.

A Japanese company is despatching two representatives to Hollywood and Berlin to study details of sound film production with a view to the making of Japanese talkies at home.

Croydon magistrate, in a case of alleged housebreaking, ruled that a latchkey was not a "housebreaking implement."

PARASITES BY AEROPLANE.

Scientists' War on Insect Pests.

WOMAN'S WORK IN WEST INDIES

For the last two and a half years a British scientist and his wife have been exploring the forests of South America in an effort to conquer some of mankind's most insidious enemies, the insect pests which dissipate every year a tenth of the human effort expended on basic industries in the Empire.

They are Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Myers, of the Farnham House Laboratory, Imperial Institute of Entomology. Dr. Myers's preliminary report on an investigation into the biological control of West Indian insect pests, which is published by the Empire Marketing Board (H.M. Stationery Office, 1s. net), is a considerably more exciting document than might be expected from its title.

So much damage is done to agriculture and other produce by insect pests that it has been calculated that, if it were possible to exterminate them, an additional population of some 45,000,000 could be supported in the Empire by the same effort as is now expended.

Innumerable methods have been tried to stamp the insects out, and experts now consider that the best is to discover the parasites which are the most inimical to each particular pest, and to encourage them to work their destructive way upon their enemies. This is a highly complicated process, for many of the parasites, once discovered, are not obtainable in the West Indies, but have to be imported from South America, or in some cases from the Gold Coast, Queensland, Southern India, or New Guinea.

Search in Canoes.

This search for parasites has occupied Dr. Myers and his wife since November, 1928. They have visited nearly all the British Colonies in the West Indies, travelling chiefly by canoe and on horseback. In an effort to find a parasite to fight sugar-cane pests Mrs. Myers herself penetrated as far as the north-west corner of British Guiana. It was her discovery of the original food-plant of the large moth-borer of cane that has considerably lightened the task of the expedition in its search for the parasite.

One of the most interesting experiments was carried out in an effort to stamp out sugar-cane moth-borers in the Lesser Antilles. The most efficient suitable parasites are known as Lixophaga diatraea, and a number were brought by aeroplane from Cuba to Antigua, and sent on in cold storage to Barbados, when they were carefully reared and liberated.

The most important attempt in the past at the "biological control" of pests, by which its meant destruction by their natural parasites as opposed to more artificial methods of exterminating them, such as trapping, was the introduction of the mongoose for the suppression of rats.

Dr. and Mrs. Myers are to remain in the West Indies until November, and will continue their search for parasites.

GULF STREAM SPREADING.

Arctic Waters Retreating.

Discovery that the Gulf Stream has increased in extent to an unusual degree this year has been made by investigators on the United States patrol boat General Green which, after being engaged four months in exploration work in northern waters, sailed for Boston in August.

The explorers, including Commander Ricketts and Mr. Olaf Mosby, formerly associated with Dr. Fridtjof Nansen in oceanographic work in Norway, further discovered that, owing to the exceptionally high temperatures, the cold arctic waters had receded much farther north. Remarkably few icebergs were seen. Encroachment of the Gulf Stream upon the western slope of the Newfoundland banks was found between the forty-first and forty-second parallels to longitude 48 west, then turning sharply north and making another encroachment toward the eastern slope. Temperature at one point in the area was 20 degrees higher than last year.

The General Green expedition started north in July to study ocean currents, salinity, temperatures at various depths and the ice drift between Newfoundland banks and waters as far north as Hudson Strait. Records of temperatures and salinity at various depths were taken at 122 stations and 2,000 soundings made in many areas between Labrador and Greenland never previously surveyed. No field of ice was encountered on the Labrador coast, and only 90 icebergs were found in Hudson Strait.

Two hundred icebergs were sighted on the Greenland coast while anchored against the Ivagutut Glacier. Three members of the Courtland expedition, surveying the Greenland ice cap, arrived on board. They were Mr. James M. Scott, Mr. Andrew Stephenson, and Lieut. Martin Lindsey. All had travelled 400 miles afoot over the ice caps. They had made exceptional time and were in excellent condition. Commander Ricketts, beyond stating that fine weather had been encountered, that the crew had enjoyed the best of health, and that the programme had been completed, was reticent regarding details of work as first reports must be made to headquarters.

MERSEY FERRY BOAT TO BE BUILT IN GLASGOW.

Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Limited, have been selected by the Wallasey Council to build a new ferry boat for the Wallasey ferry service. This new vessel, which will have accommodation for 2,500 persons and will cost £43,290, will be built at Govan. She will be somewhat unique in that she will have three decks—the uppermost one being a sun deck. The tender of Messrs. Harland & Wolff was the lowest of 17 submitted.—Engineering.

A cuttlefish, 2ft. in length and having eight tentacles, has been washed up at Blyth.

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SECRET DEVICE.

A positive guarantee against seasickness will be given to passengers in the new giant Cunarder, the largest liner in the world, which is under consideration in the Clyde.

The most nervous of sailors will walk aboard her without a thought of green faces, restless nights of agony, or appalling days spent hanging over the taffrail.

The worst sailors in the world will be able to eat salmon mayonnaise and ice cream in the midst of one of the Atlantic's most tempestuous gales.

Science has defeated the scourge of the sea. "No. 534," as the giant liner is at present called, will be unable to pitch or roll.

A secret device, upon which engineers have worked for years and which has been tested in scores of artificial gale-swept seas, produced in special experimental tanks, will be fitted to the giant ship.

The Gyroscope. By means of this invention, which works on the gyroscopic principle, the steadiness of the vessel is assured and she will be kept on an even keel in the roughest of seas.

The apparatus, which costs £200,000, weighs more than three hundred tons. Any one sitting in the restaurant or in the smoke-room of the liner will have to use all his imagination to realise that he is on board ship. All thoughts of mal-de-mer will be banished.

The bows are also designed to assist the mechanical device in preventing any trace of rolling. Experiments lasting many months have proved that the decks of the liner will remain spotlessly dry, even when she is travelling at her top speed of thirty-five knots in the driest of weather.

WATER RETURN.

Most Reservoirs on Island Below Level.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on October 1, 1931, were as under:—

City and Hill District.	1930	1931
Tytam	2' 2"	2' 2"
Tytam Byewash	2' 7"	2' 7"
Tytam Intermediate	—	—
Tytam Tuk	—	—
Wong Nei Chung	0' 0"	0' 0"
Pokfulam	4' 0"	4' 0"
Aberdeen Upper	10' 6"	10' 6"
Aberdeen Lower	—	—

City and Hill District.	1930	1931
Tytam	384.50	380.02
Tytam Byewash	22.37	18.80
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	195.90
Tytam Tuk	1,419.00	1,419.00
Wong Nei Chung	30.34	29.30
Pokfulam	60.00	57.30
Aberdeen Upper	—	124.17
Aberdeen Lower	—	80.00

Total

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of September, 1931.

	1930	1931
Consumption	350.02*	387.118
Estimated population	446,320	381,000
Consumption per head	22.2	33.9
* Includes 88.95 million gallons from Mainland.		
* Includes 64.73 million gallons from Mainland.		

Kowloon.	1930	1931
Kowloon Main	2' 7"	—
Kowloon Byewash	—	—
Shik Lai Pui	—	—
Reservoir	—	—
Shing Mun Reception	—	—
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.		

Kowloon.	1930	1931
Kowloon Main	380.40	352.50
Kowloon Byewash	—	185.50
Shik Lai Pui	—	—
Reservoir	116.10	116.10
Shing Mun Reception	33.15	33.15
Total	529.65	687.25

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of September, 1931.

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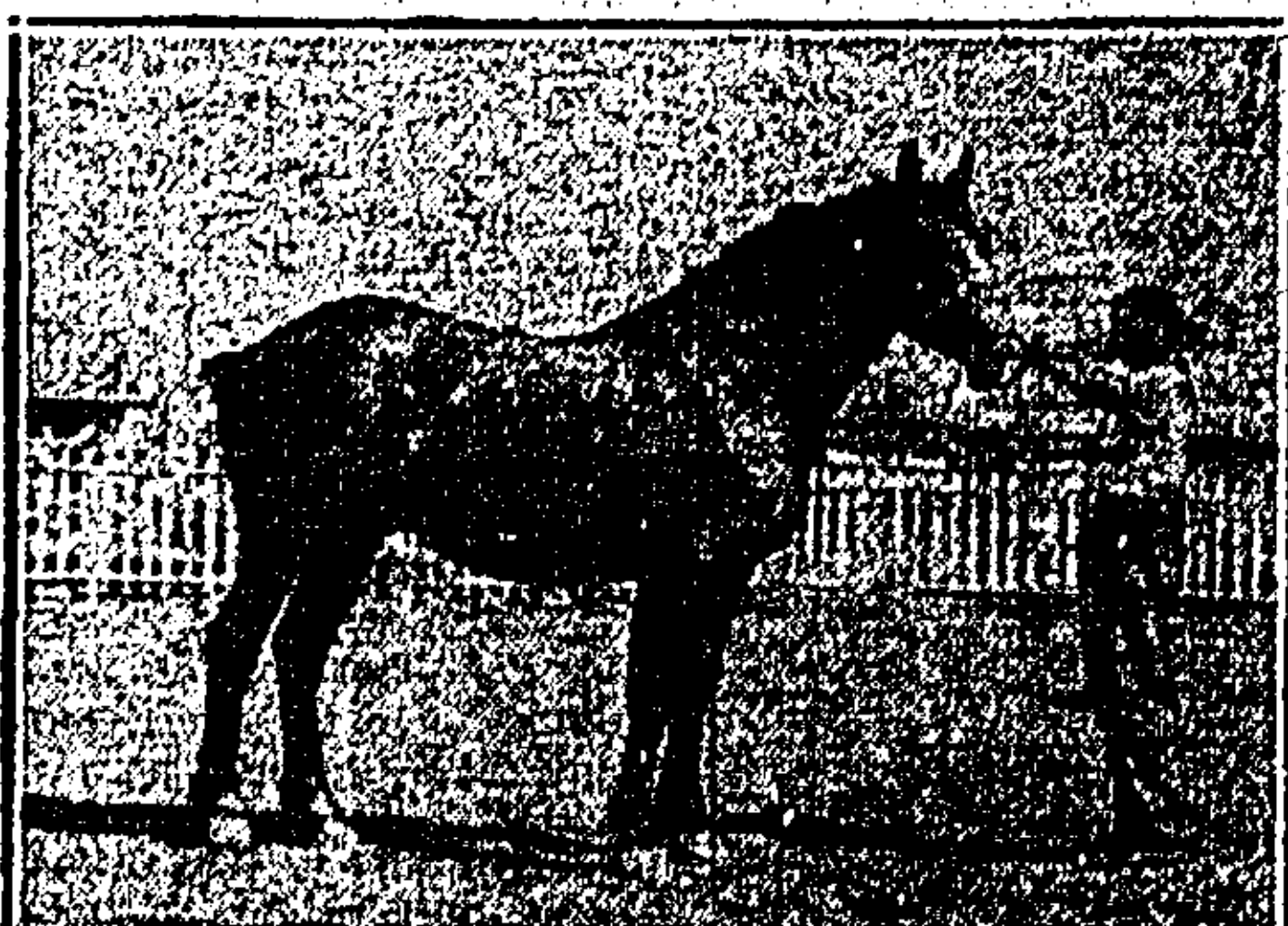
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Hong Kong, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1931.

Passports for Shanghai.

In a laudable effort to clear away the fog of doubt in regard to vised passports for Shanghai, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton has given notice of a number of questions for the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday. He will ask:—
Is Government aware that British subjects proceeding from Hong Kong to Shanghai are called upon to have their passports vised on entering Shanghai, and that considerable inconvenience is caused to them thereby?

In the event of this practice being insisted upon will Government provide facilities for British subjects obtaining a Chinese visa in Hong Kong?

Is any distinction made between Hong Kong born British subjects and other British subjects?

An article on the subject appeared in a Shanghai contemporary recently, but contained nothing beyond what was known locally on the lines of Mr. Shenton's questions. A kind of "gentlemen's agreement" was made nearly half a year ago between the Nanking Government and the Hong Kong Government wherein it was definitely declared that "British Hong Kong residents require no visa." As certain British Hong Kong residents know to their cost on arrival in Shanghai that agreement is not being observed, but not a word has emanated either from the Chinese Government or the Hong Kong Government officials. It appears as if the passport authorities in Shanghai have acted upon their own initiative, probably unknown to the Nanking Government, and that, therefore, it has not been possible for the latter to communicate a formal statement to the Hong Kong Government. In any event the position is very unsatisfactory. The agreement of six months ago cannot be held to be in suspense. The wording is quite clear, affording not the

slightest loophole for ambiguity. British Hong Kong residents cannot be other than British Hong Kong residents. There should be no need to qualify the first of Mr. Shenton's queries by suggesting a continuance of the practice of calling upon British Hong Kong residents to have their passports vised either by the Chinese in Shanghai or in Hong Kong. Nor should there be any occasion to provide Chinese officialdom in Shanghai with the belated but very plausible and convenient "explanation" that it interprets a British Hong Kong resident as one born in Hong Kong. The agreement is being broken daily. The Hong Kong Government is entitled to know why it has been and is being broken. There are "scraps of paper" aplenty without adding to them in regard to the amicable relations between the Chinese and the Hong Kong Governments.

Mail Commentary.

Interport Lawn Bowls.
Hong Kong has gained the victory in the first of the interport lawn bowls matches against Shanghai on the Colony's soil and is to be congratulated accordingly.

Whilst a win was secured by nine shots, both teams shared individual honours, Cullen being the mainspring of Hong Kong, and Medina being brilliant for the visitors. This is all to the good. It will create no less interest in the second encounter, on the Taikeo R.C. green to-morrow when the Shanghai rink will be pitted against an entirely different Hong Kong four. But lawn bowls cannot ever be elevated to the status of cricket, Association football, and Rugby football so far as concerns interport matches until such time as three rinks can come from Shanghai or go to Shanghai from the Colony. There can be no such thing as "representation" in the real sense of the word by the present system of only four players travelling so far to contend for interport honours against another four. A writer in our Sunday contemporary recently calculated that the local Association had no fewer than 220 lawn bowlers to choose from; surely twelve or fourteen out of these could be relied upon to make the journey to Shanghai next year! In similar fashion, Shanghai has probably many more than 220 players, of whom at least a dozen would gladly travel to this Colony for the honour of endeavouring to uphold Shanghai's reputation in the ancient game of lawn bowls! It is conceded that the existing system of three one-

rink matches is an improvement on the former method of one game deciding the issue; but lawn bowlers who know the sport at least and their numerous supporters will not rest content until three-rink matches are made possible.

From Other Pens.

Fails I Lese.

According to "Nature," the London sparrows have now got their tails permanently down. There is a little leader-note which begins with the information: "Since the war a very peculiar form of degeneracy has been observable in London sparrows—the breakage of the tail feathers some time after the moult . . . so that at first sight the bird looks as though it had had the quills pulled out, but on close inspection stumps are to be seen, and in some cases the breakage is in the middle of the tail."

Evidently the London sparrow is rapidly becoming a relative of the Manx cat—it is losing its tail, perhaps as a long-delayed punishment for the murderous assault on Cock Robin mentioned in the nursery rhyme. We have always felt that it was the kind of thing that a Cockney would do.—Manchester Guardian

The Casino Slump.

Gambling in the Continental casinos is not this season what it was. Some of the old tigers—and tigresses—are still there, but the economic distress has clipped their claws. Play is low and the profits of the casinos are less.

Desperate times demand desperate remedies. Hence this tale. There is a wealthy English widow who lives abroad. She is an inveterate gambler. For years she has been a godsend to a certain Continental casino.

Suddenly she was seen no more at the tables. She had become a "mystic," and the hours which she had formerly spent by the green cloth were now devoted to investigations of the future.

The casino manager was in despair. Then he pulled himself together. He saw the widow's pet clairvoyante. His eloquence was gilded, and at their next meeting the clairvoyante informed her client that grave danger threatened her if ever she was left alone between the hours of 10 p.m. and 2 a.m.

To avoid this sinister solitude the widow has returned to the tables for the duration of the danger hours.—Londoner.

The Blue Lobster.

Sir Reginald once showed me a live lobster which was bright blue. I do not know where it came from, but there was no fake about it.

The late Mr. Kenneth Foster, "the Squire of Epton," and formerly M.P. for Coventry, caught a blue lobster at Folkestone some years ago and sent it, I believe, to the Zoo.

But that was a dim greyish blue. Sir Reginald's lobster was the colour of the Air Mail pillar-boxes, with its blue as vivid as the red of its boiled brethren.—Londoner.

Few Words.

It has been reported by investigators that most English people exist on very few words. Some classes, indeed, keep in working order only one adjective. This poor equipment is often compared unfavourably with that of the American. He, by nature and inclination fluent, is honoured as a man of many words, both in his own language and ours.

Now a shattering contradiction comes from New York. Records and calculations have been made, and it has been found that the average American conducts his conversation with a paltry capital of about 737 words.

But the principle of the investigation does not satisfy me. It was confined to telephone conversations. Three experts were set to listen to what was going over the wires and found that of 80,000 words used only 3 per cent. were different. But which of us would care for his vocabulary to be estimated by what he says to the telephone?—H.C.B. in the Daily Telegraph.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 65 degrees. The humidity was 48 at 10 a.m. and 45 at 4 p.m.

After hearing the evidence of Dr. A. V. Greaves, Medical Officer of Victoria Gaol, Mr. Fraser yesterday afternoon decided that he would not be justified in revising his sentence on a young Chinese, named Yeung Kai-sheuk, who was convicted on September 29 and sentenced to six months' hard labour for disorderly conduct.

Three Chinese youths, charged with inflicting grievous bodily harm on a Japanese, Tanawa Sohi, and with disorderly conduct, were again brought before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. The Magistrate decided there was no evidence on the charge of assault. All three defendants were convicted on the charge of disorderly conduct and fined \$250 or three months' hard labour, the sentences to commence as from October 1.

Two school boys from Canton, Tse Po-shu (18) and Chung Tse-hung (16), were brought before Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on charges of having been in possession of inflammatory literature on September 30 at the Kowloon Railway Station, also with having imported Chinese pamphlets without the permission of the S.C.A. His Worship bound over both defendants in the sum of \$200, and ordered them to come up again for judgment in 12 months.

This, from "Topicist" in the Singapore Free Press, can be applied with equal truth to Hong Kong: "Among the various public works to be undertaken during the coming year is a new convict prison." The Topicist would have thought that in these hard times when equality of sacrifice is the order of the day the Government's guests might endure whatever discomforts there may be in their present quarters until the financial stringency is less acute.

Two gutter boardings, alleged to have been left by P.W.D. coolies on top of one another on the pavement of the new Silk Store opposite the King's Theatre in Pedder Street; a European's tread; a sudden fall; a bruised knee and wrists; nearly a pair of spectacles smashed with, perhaps, permanent eye injury; a white suit spoiled with dirt; and a huge crowd of curious onlookers. This scene was enacted at 12.55 p.m. yesterday. The proprietor of the Silk Store called down the wrath of heaven on the P.W.D. coolies and urged the victim (a Scot who nearly lost two really good silver dollars that rolled forth from his pocket, which he recovered before his equilibrium) to "print it in the paper." And so it is thus printed!

Personal Pars.

The wedding took place in St. Peter's Church yesterday of Maud Blanch Mallet, daughter of Mr. C. J. Mallet, of Jersey, Channel Islands, and George William Harrison. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. N. L. Watkins. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. E. A. Mallet, wore an ensemble of blue printed georgette and picture hat to match. She carried a bouquet of pink gladioli.

Last night Mr. M. A. Cooper, B. Com., delivered his presidential address to the Law and Commerce Society of the University of Hong Kong, taking as his subject the development of economic thought on the quantitative aspect of population. He dealt interestingly with the theory of diminishing returns and the Malthus theory on the principle of population.

NEWS IN ADVTS.

Continental cotton trousers, garments, ladies' dresses and hats will be auctioned by Lammer Brothers on Thursday at 11 a.m.

RIVALRY IN ARMS.

Primary Cause of World's Distress.

POPE'S VIEWS.

Vatican City, October 3. Pope Pius, in an apostolic letter to the priests of the world to-day, cited "the frenzied race for armaments" as the primary cause of the world's distress and advocated a "crusade of charity and succor" for the world's unemployed.

The Pontiff wrote that the financial crisis is "a new plague which menaces humanity." He said that the priests everywhere must give all they can to relieve those in need and that if they need more, they must get it from their superiors.

The Pontiff said that the stricken people of the world ask for the privilege of earning their bread, but that many are unable to do so in "these days of hatred and implacable war."

He attributes the world's misery to "the rivalry of the peoples" and to "enormous expenditures for public wealth." He characterized the desire to be superior in armaments one of the most important factors in this "extraordinary crisis," and asserted that there were three contributing agencies to relief, "prayer, preaching and the Press," all of which may spread the gospel of a crusade to aid the innocent.

He added: "Winter comes with suffering and privation among the poor and infants. Every day the plague of unemployment, already grave, will become worse."

The Pontiff views the situation with trepidation and appeals to all of those with faith and Christian love to join the crusade he proposes. He wrote that aid given now will help the soul as well as the body and "extinguish the flames of destruction and evil thought which often drive the poor to sin and hate."

Increase in Unemployment.

Rome, October 2.

Admitting that unemployment in Italy is certain to increase during the coming winter, the grand council of the Fascist party to-day declared the remedy to be concrete plan of disarmament and the application of measures to deal with the problem of war debts and reparations.—Associated Press.

MR. NORMAN'S "MYSTERIES."

One of Mr. Edgar Wallace's admirers who was absent from the first performance of the revival of "The Ringer" at the Lyceum was Mr. Montagu Norman, the Governor of the Bank of England, then en route to Canada for a great rest cure.

Mr. Norman is himself something of an enigma to the ordinary man in the street. His movements are most usually wrapped in mystery to a degree that would in no way discredit the most enthralling of Mr. Wallace's fictitious characters. Can it be that Mr. Norman has not feared to pick up a tip or two from Mr. Wallace? His is, at least, one of his most ardent readers.

The Governor of the Bank seldom fails to get through a number of detective stories each week. One, and sometimes even two, a day is his normal ration.

To-day's Thought.

Nothing arouses resentment like compulsion.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of October 13, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/11½.

Mr. John Roskrige Wood, son of the late Rev. J. R. Wood and Mrs. Wood of Upper Holloway, London, who has for the past year been acting as Pufane Judge, was married at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon to Miss Gladys Frances Kember, daughter of Mrs. Kember, of Bedford Park, London, and the late Mr. Harold Kember.

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SPANISH REPUBLICAN.

An Idealist and a Tactician But Withal Courageous.

Amid the welter of names, known and unknown, one name stood out. In Spanish political circles, as I learned to pick my way about them, I encountered Alejandro Lerroux at every turn. His head, carried with Spanish pride, was bleached by the suns and washed by the rains of more than two score years of Republicanism in a Monarchist country. The old warrior had fought superbly but serenely; and if, in his hour of triumph, the warfare and the weather had left their traces on his countenance, they had not obliterated the calm confidence, writes Sisley Huddleston in the Christian Science Monitor.

Nobody can have led a more agitated political life than Lerroux; he has experienced the bitterness of prison, and the deeper pains of exile; he has been overwhelmed with accusation and calumnies; he has had great moments of political victory, of popular acclaim; and now, after it all, he is hailed as a liberator not only by those who were oppressed, but also by those who acquiesced in oppression.

As he sits on the bench of ministers in the Cortes at Madrid, he may well look back on the long period of storm and stress that has brought him to this position of power, but he may also look forward with satisfaction to a new period in which he has a still more important part to play. One feels somehow that some of the old tried Republicans are content to have seen their dream realized; that Niceto Alcala Zamora, for example, is overjoyed at the fulfilment of his hopes, and, in the capacity of President, above the strife, would like peacefully to chant his *Nunc Dimittis*. Not so Alejandro Lerroux.

If he has done so much it is that he may now be permitted to do more. He too is delighted that the Republicans are given their opportunity, but he is more deeply conscious than any of the Spanish Republicans I have met, of the duty of constructing aught.

The founding of the Republic was not without peril. There were enemies — and worse, indiscreet friends — on the Right and on the Left, who were laying clumsy hands on the newborn Republic. There were Spaniards in a desperate hurry, chiefly intent on tearing up everything by the roots. There were Spaniards excessively timorous, chiefly intent on preserving everything that belonged to the Ancien Regime, and who considered that if once the floodgates were opened nothing could be saved. They wanted a Monarchy without a Monarch — a Republic in name only, where nothing should be disturbed. The wilder Radicals wanted Republicans without a Republic — a State in which no landmarks should be left, and in which every man should be his own master.

The moment was dangerous, for it is not sufficient to proclaim a Republic — the difficulty is to establish it. That was the first duty — to establish it. To establish it more or less ideally, but at least to establish it solidly. Afterward, it might be altered or repaired; but from the beginning its precise place should be determined.

This was what Lerroux saw more clearly than his colleagues. On the Right were men who were almost afraid of their own action; on the Left were men who were ready to commit themselves to the current, however violently it might flow. It was repeated on all hands that Lenin had prophesied that Spain would follow Russia — and, foolish as the thought of Communism appeared to be in this land of individualists, it was recognised, that the

neutral tendency of revolutions is to go farther than their authors intended.

Lerroux, the old campaigner, boldly began what might be regarded as an anti-revolutionary campaign. He had spent more than four decades in preaching the Republic, and he was not, if he could help it, going to allow the Republic to collapse into anarchy.

Instinctively, everybody recognised him to be the Republican leader. He might or he might not, in the uncertainties of politics, be made Prime Minister; he might even be excluded from office, as he almost was when the younger generation decided to give him the least important of Spanish ministerial posts — that of Foreign Minister — which he immediately made the most important of Spanish ministerial posts. No matter: Lerroux was, and could not but be, the leader, because he expressed so perfectly the wishes of the bulk of the Spanish people.

There is no desire to detract from the merits of the various kinds of Republicans. It may be that the Right Republicans, who provoked little alarm, alone made the Republic possible; but their ultra-conservatism was quickly discredited. It may be that the Socialists gave real vigor to the movement; but however prudent they might become when the citadel was carried, they were bound by their doctrines to think in terms of party politics. To everybody his role — and the role of Lerroux was to stand foursquare in the centre. "Before the reaction I am a revolutionary," he cried, "and faced by anarchy I am a conservative."

Thus the fighter turns statesman. In his long career he has always shown himself to be at once an idealist and a tactician. He has unquestionably been impelled by an ardent faith, but he has not disdained to learn the tricks of the trade. He was born in 1864 in Cordoba, from whence came strong-tempered and impulsive men; but his father, a military man, moving to other parts of Spain, must have picked up for his son large streaks of shrewdness and common sense.

When a young man, Lerroux, with his clear thinking and his generous impulses, declared himself Republican. He was duly rebuked, but, asserting his independence, he went alone to Madrid with a cargo of illusions and of resolutions. Becoming a collaborator of the Left, he surprised his comrades by the courageous expression to his opinions. As a journalist he developed a remarkable talent, and the prestige of *El Pais* was increased by his contributions. Soon he was a recognised orator who could sway great assemblies, and he became a notable figure. In 1914, on the outbreak of the World War, his sympathies with France again aroused the great opposition. Needless to say, under the Dictatorship he was pitilessly persecuted.

It must not be supposed that, if Lerroux now counsels caution, he is now aware that the revolution cannot be merely dynastic but must be social. To-day Spain is faced with many social problems. Thus Spain must have agrarian reform, probably on the lines of the agrarian reform in Czechoslovakia; the large estates must be broken up and distributed, with proper cooperative provisions; among the peasants, unemployment among the agricultural classes, as well as among the industrial classes, is a serious matter.

Lerroux rightly points out that the Monarchy, and especially the Dictatorship, discouraged Spanish intellectuals from taking part in political life. The effect, may be felt to-day. In

U.S. POLITICS.

House Control More Complex.

DEMOCRAT CHALLENGES VOTE

Washington, Oct. 3. The question of the control of the 72nd congress became additionally complicated to-day when Stanley Kunz, Democratic congressional candidate in Chicago, claimed that a recount showed that he had obtained a majority in the November election last year.

Kunz will seek action against Peter Grant, who holds a certificate of election.

Three similar contests are pending in Pennsylvania.

In the meantime the lower house of congress stands divided with 214 Republicans and 214 Democrats to date, with one Farmer Labourite.

The unofficial list for the senate stands with 48 Republicans, 47 Democrats and one Farmer Labourite. Since the independent bloc of Republicans heretofore have teamed with the Democrats in the senate, the latter body presently has a definite anti-administration cast. — United Press.

HEARD ON THE STAR FERRY.

1st Kowloon Resident: What is this China Exhibition, do you know anything about it?

2nd K.R.: I read about it in the China Mail.

1st K.R.: It might be rather good, I hear they will be cutting those ivory balls. I've often wondered how they were done.

2nd K.R.: I wouldn't pay a dollar just to see a man cutting ivory balls.

1st K.R.: No, but there will be other things as well.

2nd K.R.: What other things?

3rd K.R.: I know a bit about it, got a friend on the Committee. It's going to be a jolly good show, wonderful collection of Chinese art, curios and antiques being got together — a series of displays in the Theatre Royal — fireworks on the Murray Parade ground — brass workers, silver workers, ivory cutters and blackwood carvers, all getting on with the job.

1st K.R.: Sounds all right — Anything to eat?

3rd K.R.: Yes. Teas served all afternoon and Chinese dinners every night from seven till nine.

2nd K.R.: I've never had a Chinese dinner. What's it like?

3rd K.R.: Come and have some with me on November 5, the first day of the exhibition.

1st and 2nd K.R.: O.K. Thanks very much.

3rd K.R.: Suppose we go along to the Y.M.C.A. and buy a patron's ticket now.

1st K.R.: What is a patron's ticket?

3rd K.R.: The season ticket of the exhibition, admits you to everything on all three days and costs only five dollars.

the new Cortes there are politicians who are not intellectuals, and intellectuals who are not politicians. Nevertheless, in spite of the repression, Spanish poets, novelists, essayists, professors, artists, ranged themselves on the side of the Republic. And nothing could prevent the growth of working class organisations which were also Republican.

"Abroad," said Lerroux, "there seems to be some surprise that the revolution should be bloodless. The reason is simple. If a large part of the population remained passive, the revolutionary movement had no enemies among the masses. There was no real resistance. The Guardia Civil itself, organised for the defence of the King, joined us."

Against the legitimate demands of the workers the Spanish Government will not employ force. As Lerroux says, it is rather the molelike work of the Monarchists, of the Spanish aristocrats, who, from a place of safety, direct sapping operations against the Republic, that is to be feared. But the Republicans will be vigilant, and the principal task of Lerroux will be to keep them united.

His is a striking appearance. He holds his grizzled head erect, and calmly gazes through his glasses; his long drooping mustache falls over a firm-set mouth. Somehow he betokens sober energy and quiet resolution. He knows what he wants; he has known it for over forty years; and having attained it, he will not, if he can help it, allow it to be wrested from him by molelike Monarchists or flamboyant Communists. It is the Spanish Republic.

SHOT BY POLICE.

Sequel to Demonstration at Shaukiwan.

VERDICT OF JURY.

At the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon, Mr. Schofield, Coroner, and a jury held an inquiry into the circumstances relating to the death of a Chinese who was shot by Chief Inspector Peter Grant during an anti-Japanese demonstration at Shaukiwan on September 28.

Measrs. A. Murdoch, A. M. Simpson and Kwan Wong-ping formed the jury.

Inspector G. A. Stimson, in charge of the Shaukiwan Police Station, said that at about 7.20 p.m. on September 28 a message was received in the Shaukiwan Police Station from an unknown source that there was trouble in a shop at 2, Main Street, Saiwanho. He proceeded to the scene with detective C17 on a motor cycle combination driven by L. S. A90 Clark. Before leaving the station he sent a message to Quarry Bay Police Station telling them to stand by.

Around the place was a crowd of Chinese, numbering about 1,000 or more. He despatched Sergeant Clark to the Quarry Bay Police Station while witness telephoned to the Shaukiwan Police Station for reinforcements and maintained order among the crowd as far as possible.

The Coroner: What were they actually doing? — Calling out strike in Chinese — 2a.

During the rioting a Lieutenant of the Royal Artillery came along on the motor cycle and suggested the getting of military assistance. Witness went off in a motor lorry for military aid. On his return he found that the crowd had been dispersed and a force of Police and Police Reserves had just finished dispersing the crowd. He was then informed that one man had been wounded by Chief Inspector Grant.

Chief Inspector's Story.

Chief Inspector Grant said that he was on his way to make a routine call that night at the Shaukiwan Station. On reaching the Market at Saiwanho he came upon a large crowd collected on the roadway. The Police formed up and made baton charges in both directions, along the street, but as soon as they drove in one direction the crowd pressed up from the other. Both Sub-Inspector Carey and Sergeant Ellis were injured rather badly, and as the crowd seemed to become uglier in mood and out of hand, and as the Police by reason of this were in danger, and they not knowing when the reserves sent for would be arriving, witness decided to fire upon the crowd. In doing so he singled out two who were apparently ringleaders and fired two rounds. The second round took effect. One of the two men aimed at was hit and he fell, shouting out, loudly, the usual cry of *kau meng* or "save life."

The result was that the stone-throwing became less intense. A sister of the deceased said that he did not belong to any cult or society nor had she heard him say he belonged to an anti-Japanese organisation. He was employed as an apprentice in a machine room at the Taikee Dockyard.

In his summing-up the Coroner stressed the fact that the Police, as disclosed by the evidence, were fully occupied for one whole hour with the mob, on whom warnings and baton charges had very little effect. Even when two shots were fired by a European Police Sergeant in the air, the throwing of stones and other missiles ceased for only a few seconds, after which it continued.

On the other hand, the shots fired by Chief Inspector Grant undoubtedly had the effect of dispersing the mob, and no serious disturbances had occurred at Shaukiwan, or for that matter, in any other district since.

They had the Chief Inspector's evidence that the deceased was picked out by him as one of the trouble makers, who was seen inciting the crowd. If the jury thought that under the circumstances described the Police were justified in firing, then they were to return a verdict of "justifiable homicide."

The jury after some deliberation said they were agreed on a verdict of justifiable homicide.

Mr. Dingley, imposing a sentence of one month's hard labour, at Marylebone Police Court, said that "dole frauds were perfectly scandalous," and magistrates were getting sick of them.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-night — Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and Repulse Bay Hotels.

Entertainments.

To-day — King's Theatre; "A Connecticut Yankee." Theatre; To-day — Queen's Theatre; "Reaching for the Moon." Theatre; To-day — Central Theatre; "Romance of the Opera." Theatre; To-day — Majestic Theatre; "A Man From Wyoming." Theatre; To-day — Star Theatre; "Speedway."

Home Malls.

Thursday — Inward from Europe (Kashgar).

Lammerts' Auction.

Thursday — At Sales Room, Continental cotton trousers, garments, ladies' dresses and hats, etc., 11 a.m.

GAY GLENEALY.

Gladiators Enliven the Neighbourhood.

The Glenealy Gladiators are making a serious bid this season for championship honours in the Street Football League. With this in view, in order to get used to match conditions, they are now playing their practice games with a regulation size football instead of the usual tennis ball.

It is to be sincerely hoped that as soon as the emergency condition permits, the Hon. I.G.P. will spare a Policeman for duty on the Gladiators' ground to keep away the hill sport pedestrians who insist on crossing the field while a game is on.

Also, could not some Hon. member of the Legislative Council introduce a Bill to make it compulsory for residents in the vicinity of the Gladiators' ground to have wire netting outside their glass windows? It is a nuisance to the players to have to dodge an occasional shower of broken glass at the most exciting points of a game.

RADIO NEWSPAPER RECEIVED AT SEA.

A copy of the Shenectady Union Star, in miniature, has been transmitted successfully by radio to ships at sea through the short-wave station of the General Electric Company.

The reception was accomplished aboard the liners America and Minneapolis through a facsimile recorder developed by Mr. Charles J. Young, son of Mr. Owen D. Young, chairman of the executive committee of the General Electric Company, and Dr. E. F. W. Alexander, General Electric radio and television expert.

It took 15 minutes to send a page measuring 8 1/2 in. by 9 in. The reproductions were pasted upon the ship's bulletin boards for passengers to read.

SIR JOHN TELLS AMERICA.

During the recent visit to the United States, Sir John Reith, Director-general of the British Broadcasting Corporation, paid high compliments to the American broadcasting systems, but expressed the opinion that the British "monopolised-radio" system was more practical and efficient. Sir John said that the quality of American commercial programmes was high indeed, but the sponsorship idea could never be adopted in Britain on account of the British listeners' dislike to advertising announcements on the air. He stressed the importance of international programme exchange and predicted that there will be considerable growth in this field.

He managed to find time to broadcast over the networks of the National Broadcasting Corporation and the Columbia Broadcasting Company, and addressed a meeting of the National Advisory Council on Radio in Education, and the National Radio Editors' Association. Afterwards, he received a medal from the Columbia Broadcasting Company for his contributions to broadcasting. This network plans to make several more awards of this type in the future.

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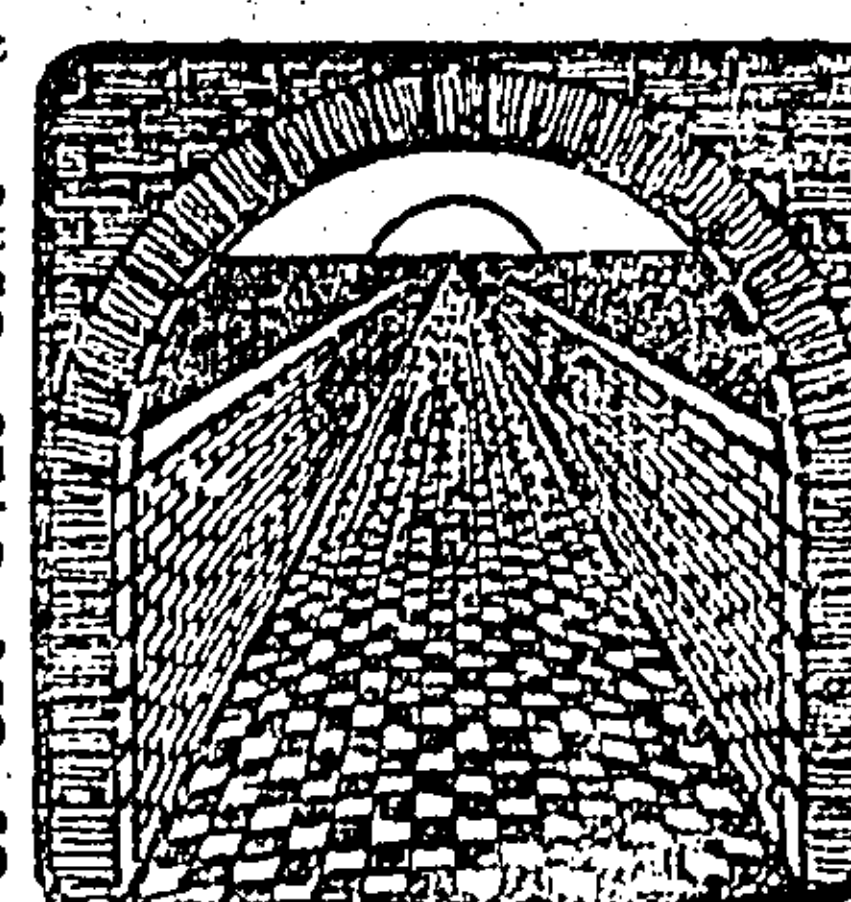
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HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1823
Signal Station	1774
Mr. Parker	1784
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mr. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Allerbeds)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Taimoshan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Hong Kong, 10th October, 1931.

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POLICE RESERVE.

Emergency Duties in Abeyance.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:—

General.
Proclamation No. 4 by H.E. The Governor remains in force. There will be no actual duties for the Police Reserve, until further orders are issued by the Officers Commanding Units.

Chinese Company.
All members will carry out the orders issued to them on Sunday, October 11.

Recruits.—All recruits will report at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central to-day at 5.30 p.m. for instruction.

(Sgd.) D. L. King, D.S.P. (R.)

BISHOP OF LONDON.

Ready To Give Up His Palace.

Saint Thomas (Ont.).
The Bishop of London (Dr. W. H. Inge) stated on Sept. 12 that he would be willing, in the interests of national economy, to give up Fulham Palace and live in a more modest house.

One of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners told an Evening Standard representative:—

"Fulham Palace is certainly a great burden on the See of London, but I cannot see how it could be utilised for any other purpose. Even if it were closed down it would still be a burden."

"There are at the moment schemes for the division of the diocese of London, and if these are adopted then the palace might be used for something else."

The Bishop is a bachelor.

Sir George Ernest May, who was chairman of the Economy Committee, was fined 15s. at Bow Street for driving a motor-car along Constitution-hill at thirty miles an hour.

It is interesting to find that several places in British Columbia are named after characters in "Dombey and Son." There is Gay Passage, Clara Islet, the Bunsby Islands, Cautious Point, and Cuttle Group. Dickens Point is another place on the same coast.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	1/2 3/4
Bank, on demand	1/2 3/4
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/2 3/4
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/4 3/4
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/4 3/4
On Paris—	
On demand	600
Credits, 4 months' sight	685
On Berlin—	
On demand	Nom.
On New York—	
On demand	24
Credits, 60 days' sight	26 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	83
On demand	83
On Calcutta—	
Wire	83
On demand	83
On Singapore—	
On demand	52 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	48
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 77
Dollar	4 1/2 dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	48 1/2
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/4 3/4 nom.
Silver (per oz.)	17 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Nom.
Copper Cash	Nom.
Copper Cents	3 1/2 prom.
Rate of Native Interest	3 1/2 p.a.
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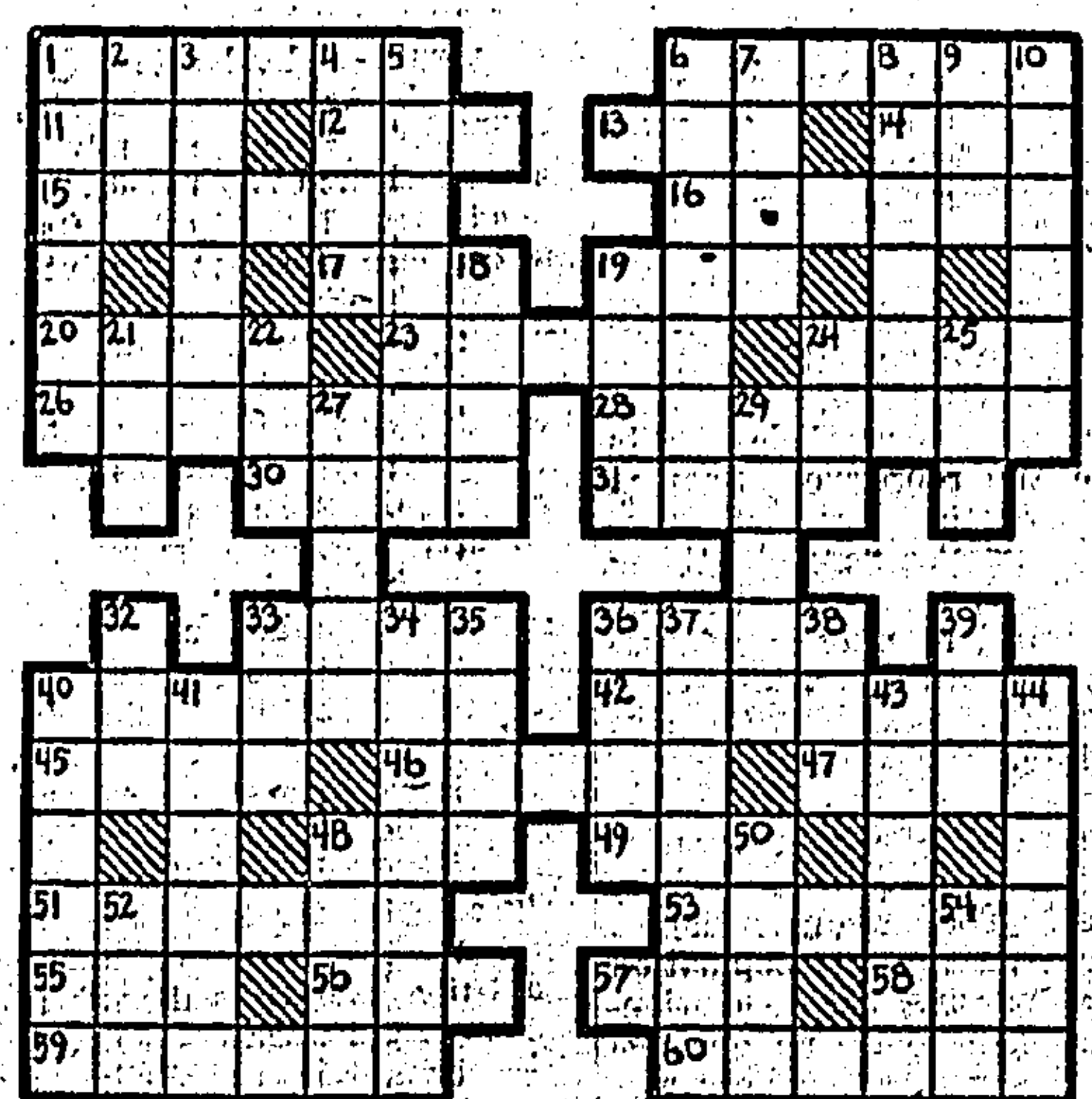
LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.	
Paris	98 1/2
New York	3.88
Brussels	27 1/2
Geneva	19 1/2
Amsterdam	9 1/2
Milan	75 1/2
Berlin	17
Stockholm	16 1/2
Copenhagen	17 1/2
Oslo	17 1/2
Vienna	62 1/2
Prague	130
Helsingfors	160
Madrid	43 1/2
Rio	3 1/2
Lisbon	109 1/2
Athens	300
Buenos Aires	30
Montevideo	21
Bucharest	640

(Continued on Next Column.)

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1—Pertaining to France
6—Place under restraint
11—Unit
12—Short sleep
13—One (Scott.)
14—Appropriate
15—To wait upon
16—Cattle
17—Series
18—Undeveloped stem
20—Paradise
23—Cathedral city in France
24—Girl's toy
25—Personal restraint
28—A Roman comic poet
30—Placed a ball on a tee for striking
31—Seaport of Arabia
32—Snare
33—A thimble for reinforcing a hole in a boiler
40—Censure
42—Covering with tar
43—Combining form "Air"

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
46—Waddered from the truth
47—Feminine name
48—Skill
49—Prefix, before
51—To subtract
52—A bivalve
53—Raw metal
54—Material with a corded surface
57—Bunk name as in 58—A beverage
59—Made furious (rare)
60—Wit (Fr.)

VERTICAL
1—Injunct
2—Inset
3—An epithet
4—Tender
5—Accent
6—Stepped
7—Want
8—Inventory of
9—Incandescent light
10—A stream

VERTICAL (Cont.)
10—Sawing implement
11—Bound
12—Greek letter
13—Entity
21—Entity
22—Boy's name (short)
24—Lair
25—Least common multiple (abbr.)
27—Native of Africa
29—To happen again
32—Inset
33—Prefix, three
34—Avoided
35—Sabbath
36—Walk
37—The master of a Mediterranean
38—Prefix, across
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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 13th Oct. 1931.

Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, 27th October, 1931.

STOCK	Day's Sale	Buyer	Price	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.				
Hong Kong Bank	1150	...	1150	10/10/31
Chartered Bank	11	...	11	10/10/31
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	18	...	18	10/10/31
Bank of Asia	134	...	134	10/10/31
Insurance.				
Canton Ins.	1500	...	1500	10/10/31
Union Ins.	440	...	440	10/10/31
China Underwriters	91	...	91	10/10/31
China Fire Ins.	900	...	900	10/10/31
H. K. Fire Ins.	1450	...	1450	10/10/31
Shipping.				
Douglases	24	...	24	10/10/31
H. K. Steamships	26	...	26	10/10/31
Indo-China (Pref.)	33	...	33	10/10/31
Shell Bearer	42 1/2	...	42 1/2	10/10/31
Union Waterboats	23	...	23	10/10/31
Mining.				
Benguet	19	...	19	10/10/31
Kailan Mining Ad. S.	30 1/2	...	30 1/2	10/10/31
Langkat (Single)	405	...	405	10/10/31
S'hal Exploration	2	...	2	10/10/31
Rauha	95	...	95	10/10/31
Venezuela Gold Fields	23	...	23	10/10/31
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.				
H. K. & S. Wharves	160	...	160	10/10/31
H. K. & W. Docks	80	...	80	10/10/31
South Ch. Motors (A)	10	...	10	10/10/31
China Provident (old)	840	...	840	10/10/31
Hongkong	208	...	208	10/10/31
N. Engineering	820	...	820	10/10/31
Shanghai Docks	108	...	108	10/10/31
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.				
H. K. & S. Hs. (old)	14	...	14	10/10/31
H. K. Lands	10	...	10	10/10/31
Shanghai Lands	10	...	10	10/10/31
Humphreys (old)	10	...	10	10/10/31
H. K. Estates	10	...	10	10/10/31
Cotton Mills.				
Ewo Cotton	10	...	10	10/10/31
Shanghai Cotton	10	...	10	10/10/31
Zong Sing	10	...	10	10/10/31
Public Utilities.				
H. K. Tramways	20	...	20	10/10/31
Peak Tram (old)	14	...	14	10/10/31
Star Ferry	99	...	99	10/10/31
Yau Ma Tei	40	...	40	10/10/31
China Light	47.80	...	47.80	10/10/31
H. K. Electric	77	...	77	10/10/31
Sandakan Light	20	...	20	10/10/31
H. K. Tel. fully paid	43	...	43	10/10/31
China Buss	17.00	...	17.00	10/10/31
S'pore Tractions (Ord.)	10	...	10	10/10/31
Industrial.				
China Sugars	50	...	50	10/10/31
Malayan Sugars	90	...	90	10/10/31
Caldic Mfg. Ord.	14	...	14	10/10/31
Canton Ice	7.70	...	7.70	10/10/31
Cement (cont.)	10	...	10	10/10/31
H. K. Rope	17 1/2	...	17 1/2	10/10/31
Stores, &c.				
Dairy Farms	20	...	20	10/10/31
Watson	12 1/2	...	12 1/2	10/10/31
Der A Wings	1	...	1	10/10/31
Lanc. Crawfords (old)	640	...	640	10/10/31
Mackintosh	19	...	19	10/10/31
Sinacra	8.00	...	8.00	10/10/31
Wm. Powell	8.00	...	8.00	10/10/31
Miscellaneous.				
H. K. Amusement	24 1/2	...	24 1/2	10/10/31
C. Entertainment (old)	15	...	15	10/10/31
Sou. Ch. Enterprise	11	...	11	10/10/31
H. K. C'rtutions (old)	6	...	6	10/10/31
B. Ind. C. Bonds	67	...	67	10/10/31
H. K. Govt. Loans	64 1/2	...	64 1/2	10/10/31

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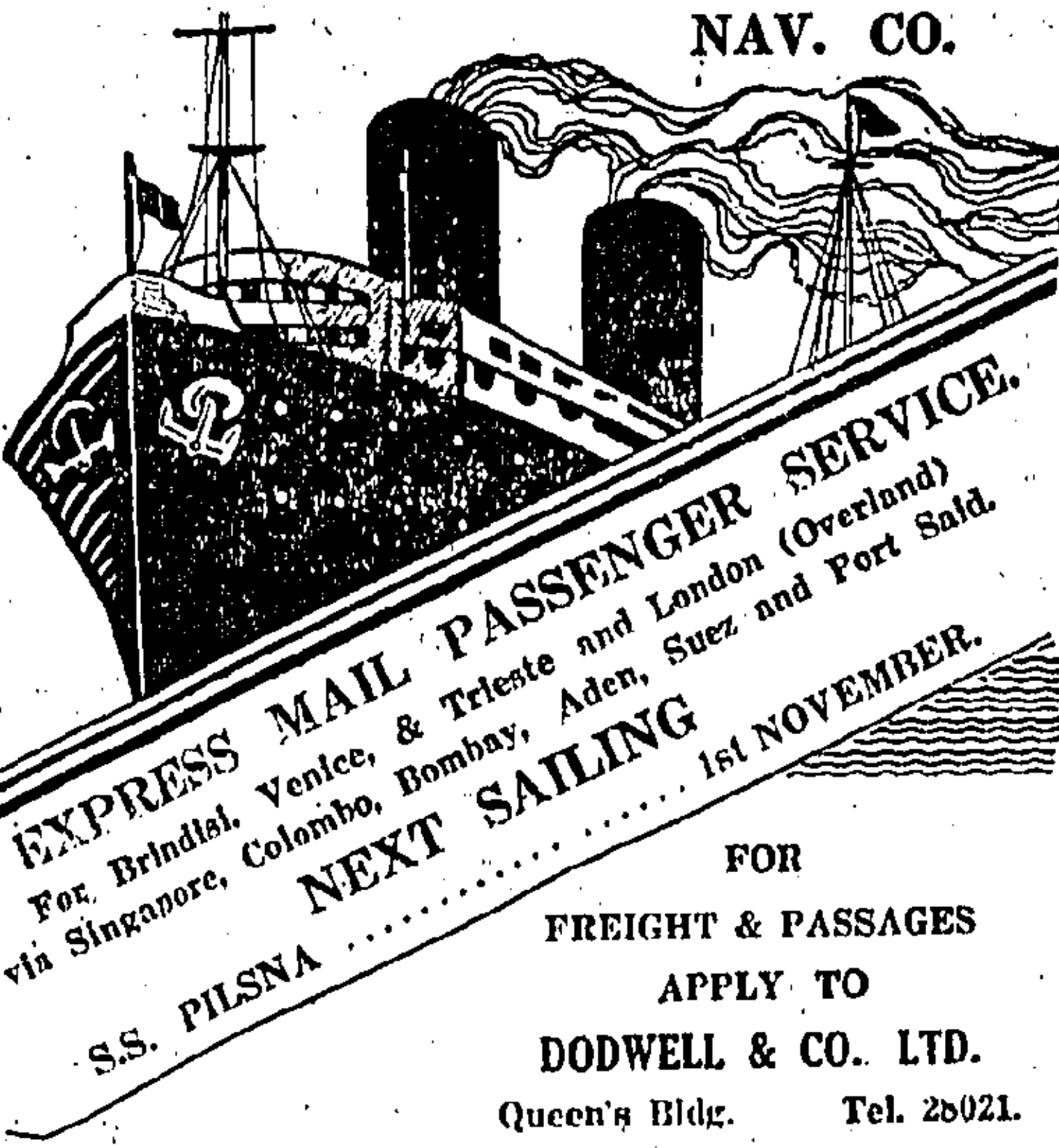
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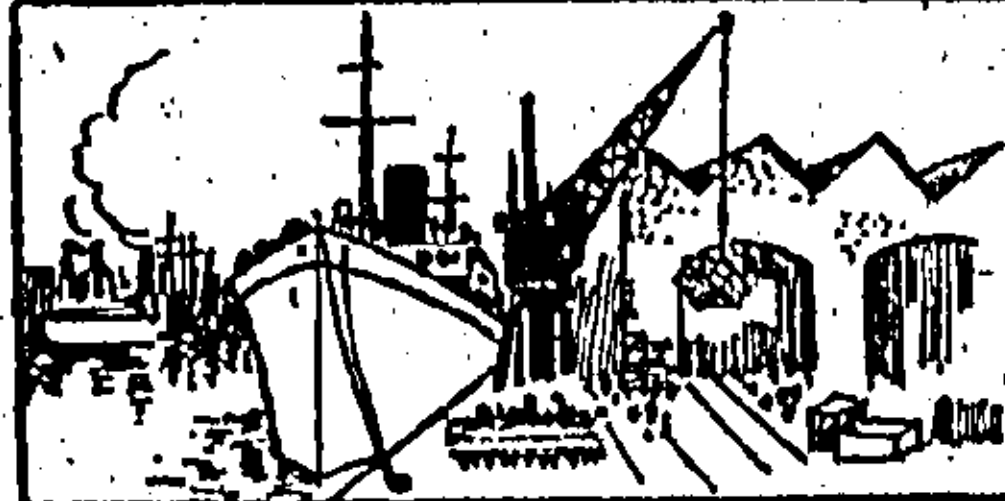
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WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Oct. 10	Oct. 11
West River at Shihing	6.0	6.1
North River at Samshui	6.2	6.1
North River at Tsingyuen	5.3	5.4
East River at Shihing	5.3	5.4

The highest levels recorded are: Shihing, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Shihing, 15.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Shihing.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, October 11.

Achilles, British str., 7,184 tons, Capt. W. Cosker, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.
Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. R. Nagayama, from Canton, Stonecutters.—N.Y.K.
Meerket, Dutch str., 4,886 tons, Captain Coerkamp, from Foochow, buoy No. A6.—J.C.J.L.
Sauerland, German str., 4,194 tons, Capt. Metzenthin, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Jessen & Co.

Tai Poo, Sek, French str., 1,219 tons, Capt. M. Paul, from K. C. Wan, C.M.S.N. Wharf.—Wo Hop & Co.

Tweedbank, British str., 3,431 tons, Captain T. H. Morlison, from Shanghai, buoy No. A11.—Bank Line.

Monday, October 12.

Alipore, British str., 3,241 tons, Capt. E. P. Lyndon, from Singapore, buoy No. A1.—P. & O.
Asphalion, British str., 3,336 tons, Capt. Lakin, from Shanghai, buoy No. A4.—B. & S.
Hang Sang, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. J. Moodie, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Lima Maru, Japanese str., 4,298 tons, Capt. Amano, from Shanghai, buoy No. A7.—N.Y.K.

President Jackson, American str., 14,123 tons, Capt. J. Griffith, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.

Suiyang, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. Byrne, from Canton, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

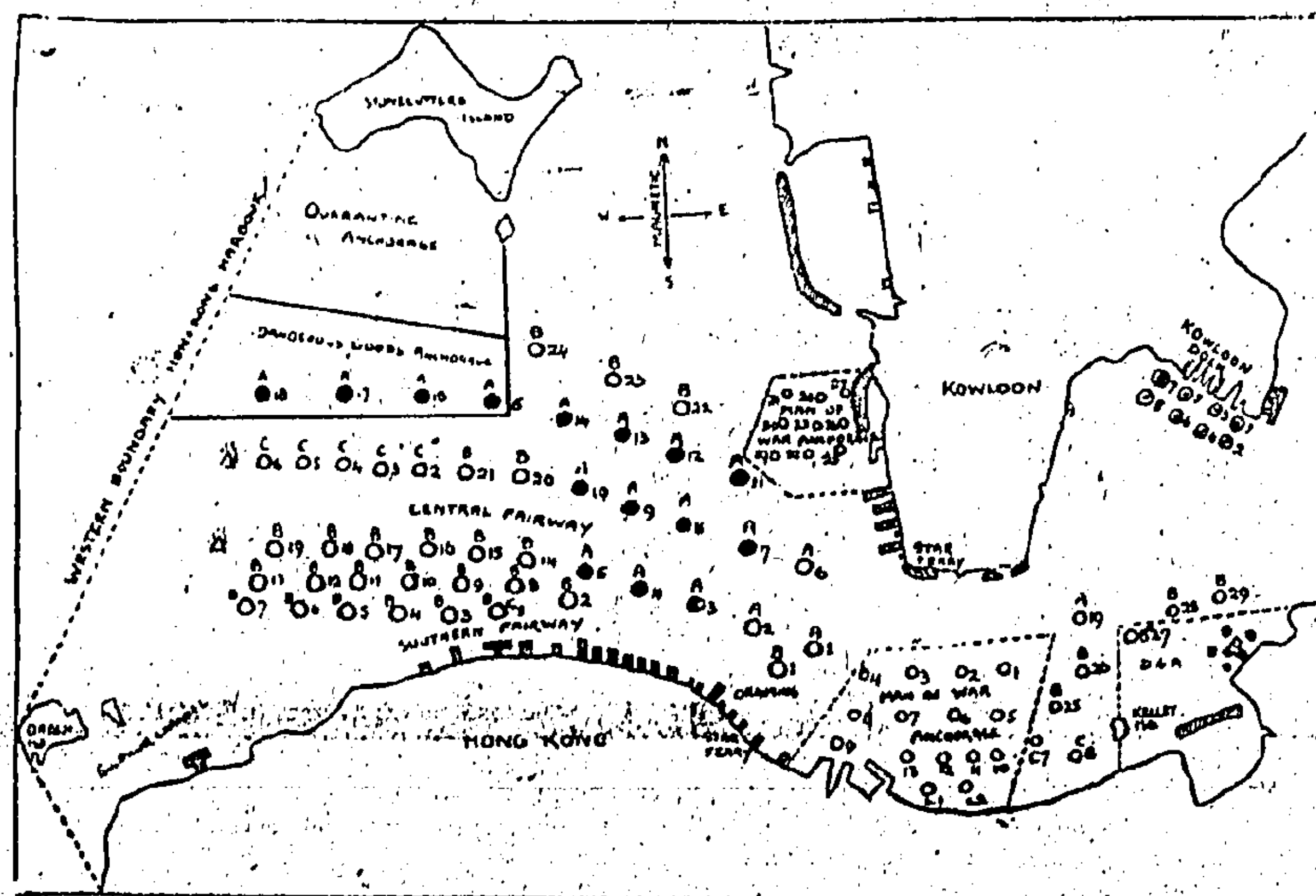
Yat Shing, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. C. Alexandre, from Canton, buoy No. B1.—J. M. & Co.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. s.s. Thawa will leave Amoy for this port on October 14, p.m., and is due here on October 15, p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Russia arrived at Shanghai on October 12 (Mon.) at 3 p.m., left Shanghai on October 13 (Tues.) at 9 a.m., and is due at Hong Kong on October 15 (Thurs.) at 9 a.m. She leaves Hong Kong for Manila on October 15 (Thurs.) at 9 p.m.

BUOY PLAN OF HONG KONG HARBOUR.



WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—

Berwick—North arm.
Bridgewater—North wall.
Cornflower—No. 8 buoy.
Olympus—East wall.
Magnolia—North arm.
Medway—In dock.
Moth—No. 7 buoy.
Perseus—East wall.
Sandwich—North arm.
Sepoy—No. 11 buoy.
Seraph—No. 12 buoy.
Serapis—No. 13 buoy.
Sirdar—No. 11 buoy.
Somme—No. 10 buoy.
Sterling—No. 10 buoy.
Stormcloud—Kowloon wharf.
Submarines—West wall.
Tamar—Basin.
Taranbula—South wall.
Foreign Men-of-War.
Argus—French gunboat.
Maenu—Portuguese gunboat.

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Kobe	" Oct. 13
Miyajima	" Oct. 14
Chinwangtao	" Oct. 21
Shanghai	" Oct. 25
Hong Kong	" Oct. 29
Manila	" Oct. 31
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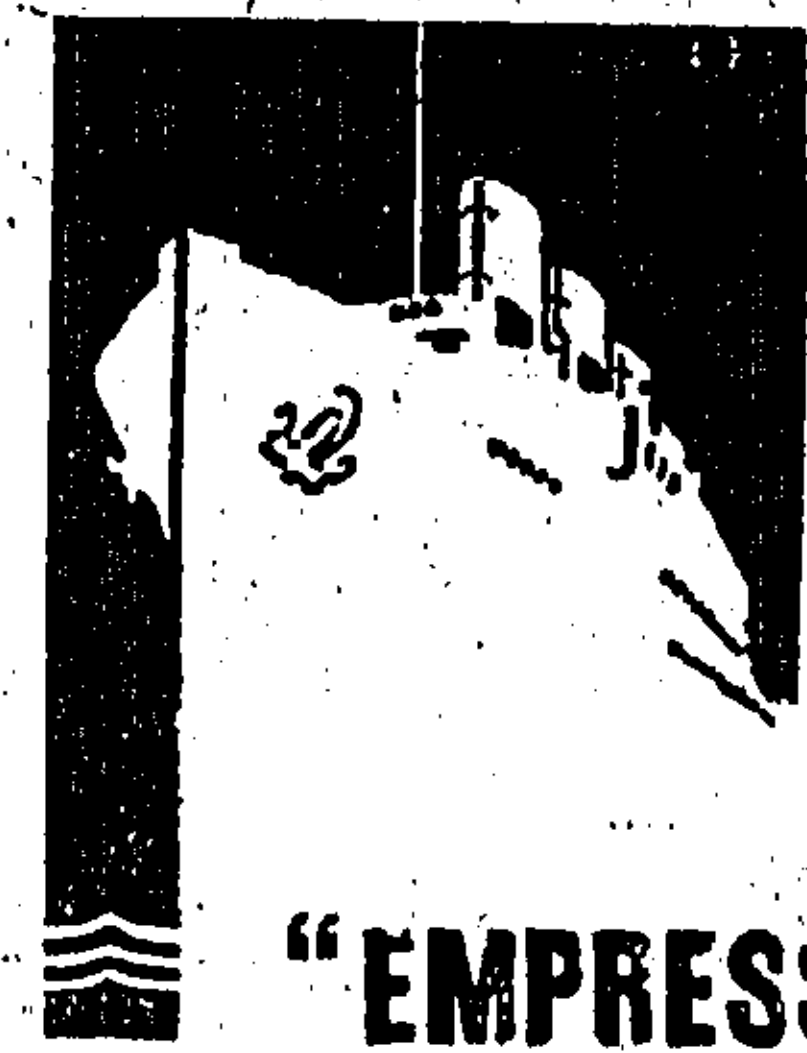
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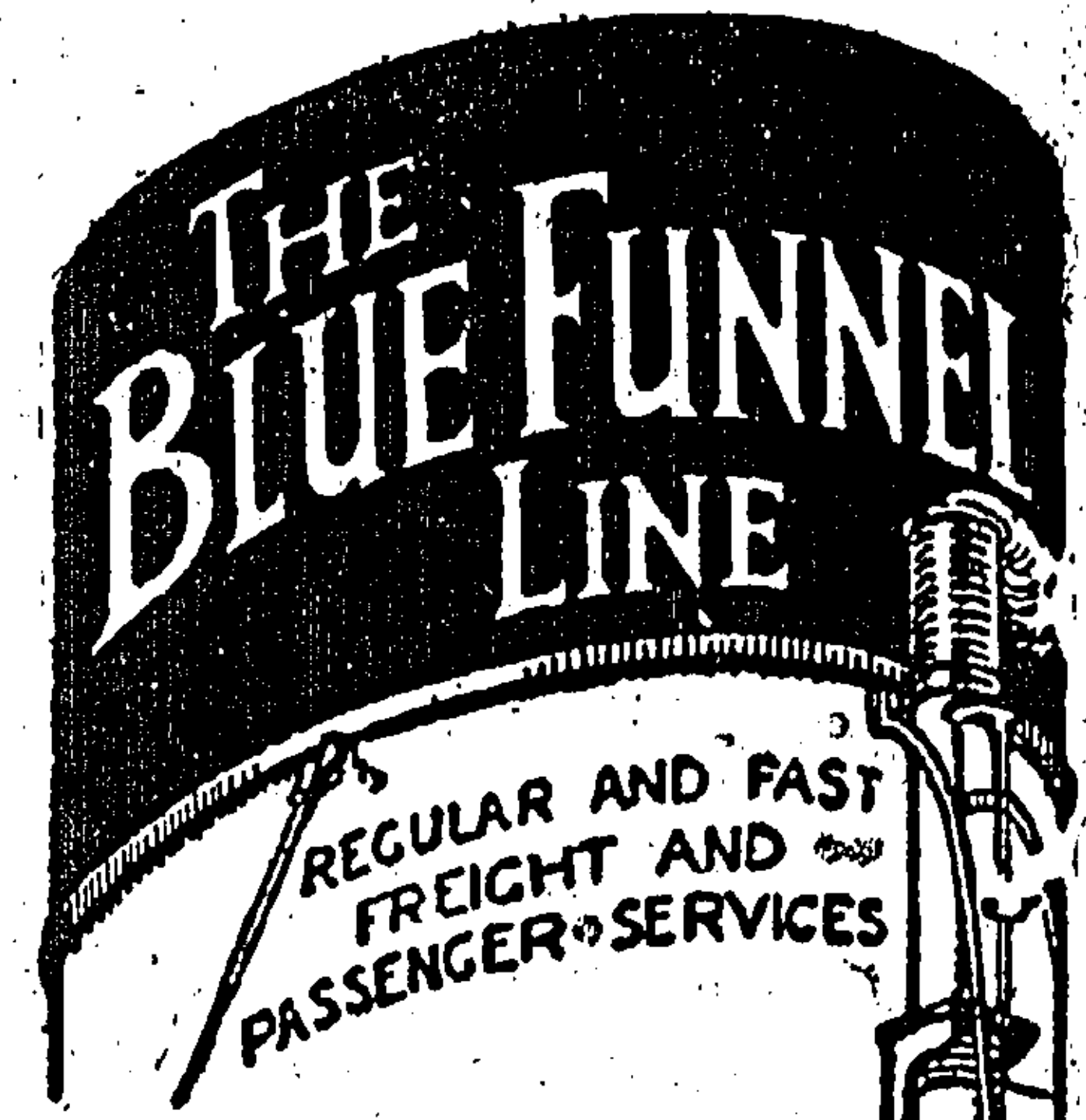
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Reference was made in the Liver-
pool Journal of Commerce to the
verbatim report of the discussion
which took place when the deputa-
tion representing the Back to Coal
Movement was received at the Ad-
miralty, particularly with regard to
the views expressed by Vice-Ad-
miral R. R. C. Backhouse, C.B.,
C.M.G., Third Sea Lord and Con-
troller of the Navy, and Engineer
Vice-Admiral Sir R. W. Skelton,
K.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., Engineer-in-
Chief. In view of the wide interest
which has been aroused by the sug-
gestion that coal burnt under
modern conditions should again be
used in the Navy, the paper gives
the speeches of Admiral Backhouse
and Admiral Skelton, in which they
stated the technical grounds on
which they base their opposition to
the re-introduction of coal.

Admiral Backhouse said 'there
were two definite points to consider,
one in regard to engineering, which
he left to the engineer-in-chief, but
the greater problem was construc-
tional, with which he could deal to
some extent. Sir David Llewellyn
had mentioned conveyors. Con-
veyors could not be run through the
bulkheads because, as no doubt
the deputation knew, one of the
greatest problems now was the
watertight sub-division of ships.
Designers were faced with the
tremendous problem of defence
against shell attack, mines and tor-
pedoes. That meant they had to
have very efficient watertight sub-
division of ships. If they were to
run conveyors through the bulk-
heads in order to carry coal from
one part of the ship to another,
they could not maintain water-tight
sub-division.

Limited Displacement.
Another point was that ships
nowadays were built to a
limited displacement. That meant
that the task of the ship
constructor and designer was
far more difficult than it
ever was in the past. They had
to design on a restricted basis, and
get everything that was required
into a more limited space than they
used to do 20 years ago. They
had to make use of every cubic foot
of space in the ship. If they used
coal they would have to stow it
from one end of the ship to the
other, and then a large proportion
of the coal could never be worked,
and even then they would not get
the same endurance, irrespective of
the speed question.

He was in a large ship in the
war, when they carried hundreds of
tons of coal in reserve bunkers
which were never used, the only
reason being that it could not be
got at in a sufficiently practical
way. Unless a ship had good
endurance she could not remain at
sea for a long period, and that
meant that the number of ships at
sea at any one time depended upon
their endurance. They could only
get a certain number of ships on
a certain total tonnage; if the ships

were bigger, then the total number
would be smaller. Admiral Back-
house assured the deputation
that not only the higher offi-
cers of the Admiralty, but
the technical departments, too
were continually confronted with
the problem of making the
best possible use of space and
weight. It was impossible to de-
sign a modern warship to
burn coal on the present
important qualities were sacrificed.
It was not only that they could not
stow the coal, but they could not
accommodate the men on board,
and, therefore, if they had the coal
they could not work it.

Engineering Point of View.

Admiral Skelton said there was
only one point with which he would
deal, since Sir David had raised the
engineering side of the question
rather prominently. First of all,
they were continually in the en-
gineering department considering
whether they could advise the Lords
of the Admiralty in any way to
make use of coal. The deputation
need have no doubt about that, and
if he controverted entirely some of
Sir David's statements it was not
done from a point of view at all
obstructive or antagonistic to coal;
it was simply that from a purely
engineering point of view the use
of coal was impossible. Sir David
had compared merchant ships with
warships, and the comparison was
not comparable. There was neither
the space nor the weight in a war-
ship that there was in a merchant
ship. Sir David had referred to
a ship which was well-known, or
ships which were well-known of
certain classes of the C.P.R., which
burned coal with chainrate stokers.
The engineer department knew all
about those ships, and were not
ignorant on those points, and he
asked Sir David if he knew what
the weight of machinery of those
ships was as compared with the
weight of machinery which they
are compelled to put in warships.
He would give them a few figures
to think over. The weight of all

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the propelling and allied machinery
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machinery, in running condition,
that was of a modern light cruiser
not only in this country, but more
or less in other countries—it was
competitive—was in a recent class
45 lb. weight per horse-power, and
in one latest design was down to
about 40 lb. He was not giving
away secrets because the weights
were published in the engineering
papers for anyone to read. The
weights included the ship running
at sea, boilers in use for steaming,
water for condensers, shafts, pro-
pellers, everything running. What
were the weights of the mercantile
ships? There were very few of
them that were under 200 lb. weight
of machinery per shaft horse-power,
and they are up to 40 lb.

How could they think of having
mercantile machinery or short
machinery burning graded coal inside
a warship? His colleague, the
Director of Naval Construction, and
he on the technical side, constantly
talked over those things. It was
absurd to suppose that they had
any antagonism to coal at all; if
they could use coal they certainly
would, and it was not that they had
considered graded coal, but they
had also considered pulverised coal.
Hours and hours had the Engineer-
in-Chief's Department been con-
sidered in the consideration of
pulverised coal. But the scales
were weighted, and they could not
compete with oil when they were
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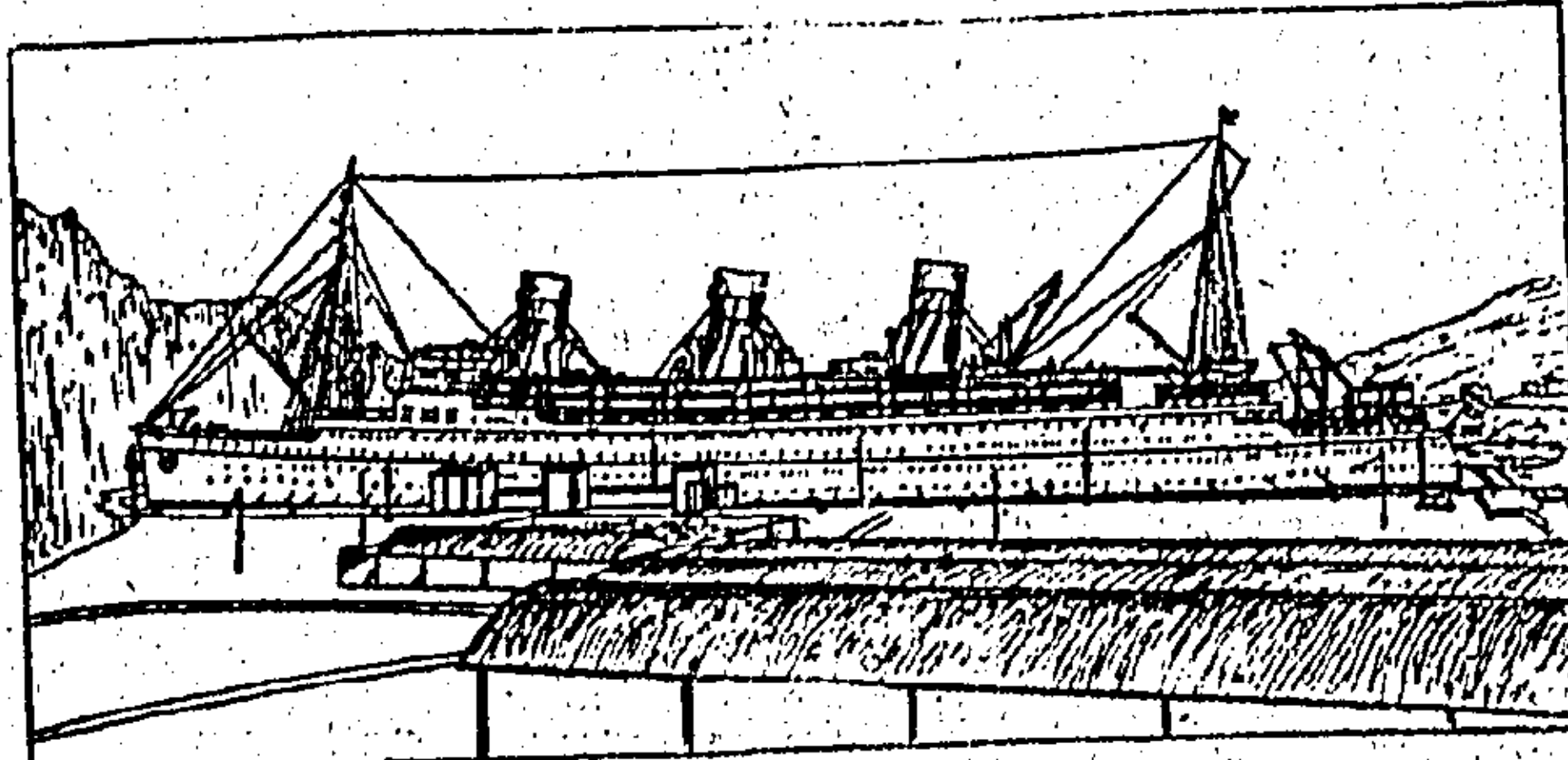
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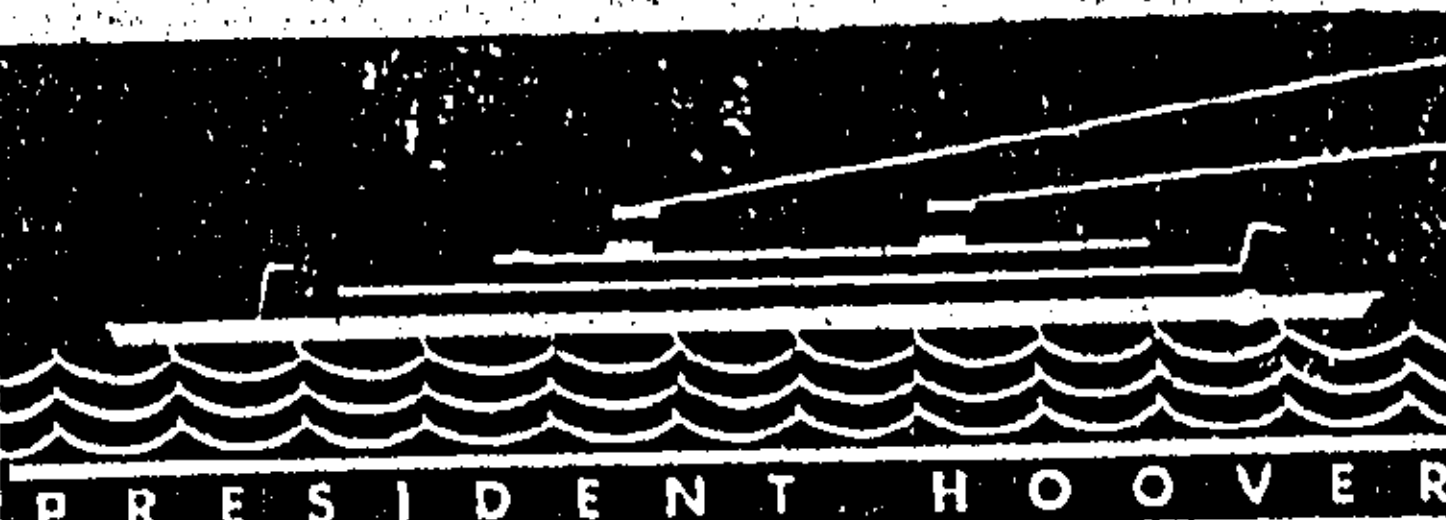
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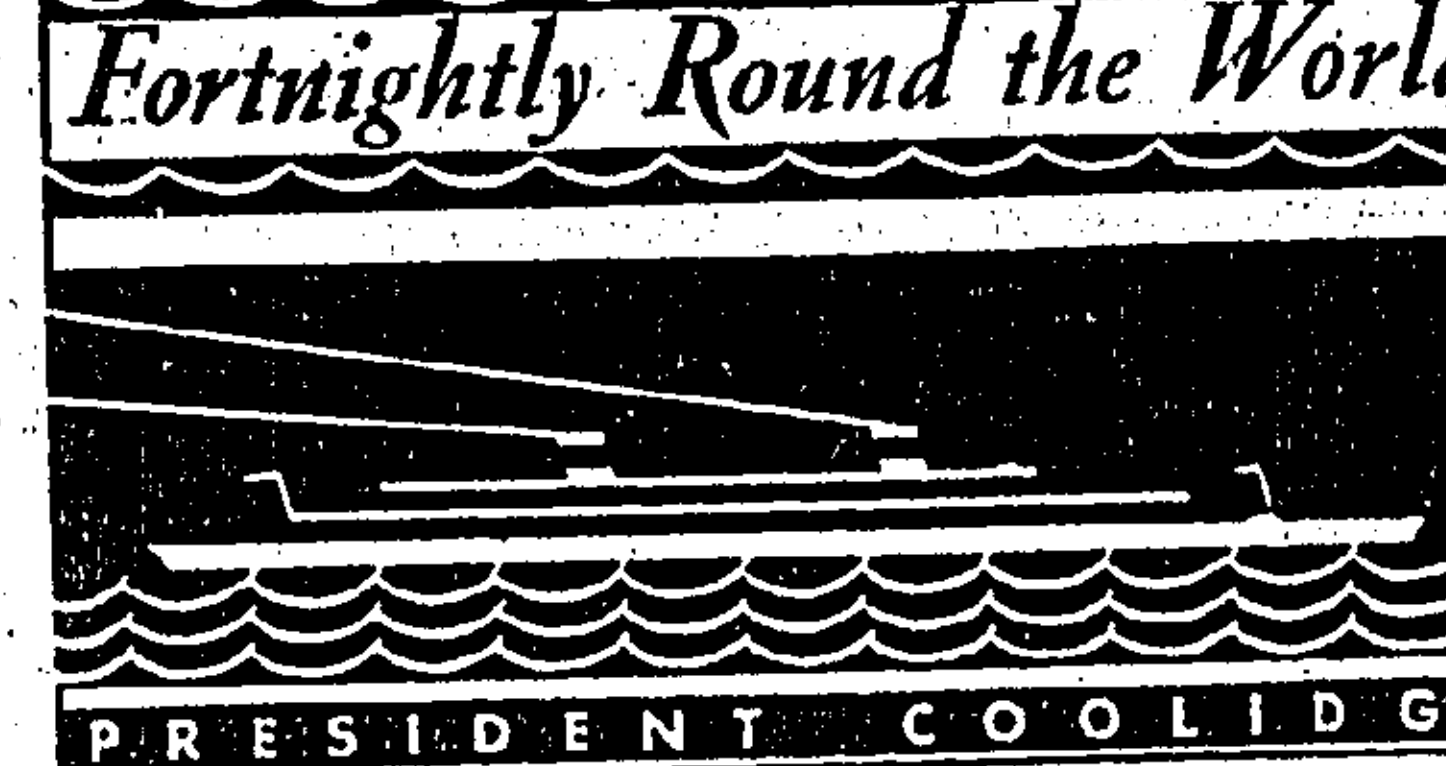
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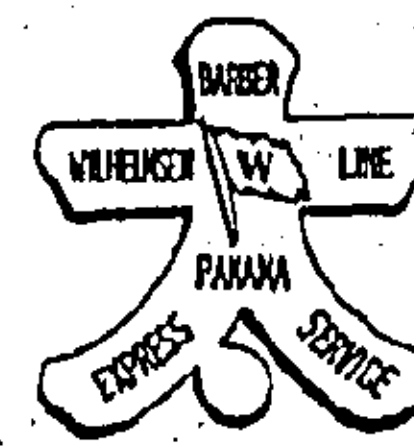
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VALVE "IMPROVEMENTS."

In the past year or so very great
improvements have been made in the
performance of valves, and these
improvements created a demand for
better coupling to do justice to
them. No engineers responded
more nobly in their efforts to satisfy
this demand than the designers of
l.f. transformers, with the result
that the combination of a modern
valve and a modern transformer
provides a degree of distortionless
amplification which, a very little
while back, would have been regarded
as impossible.

This, of course, is all to the good
of the constructor, but trouble from
l.f. instability has increased with
the greater efficiency. The effects
of this instability in a receiver is
often so marked as to produce actual
high-pitched howling and
"motor-boating."

Quite frequently, however, the
effect merely shows itself as a form
of distortion unaccompanied by ac-
tual howling.

L. F. Instability Cause.

Such instability is generally due
to resistance in the source of h.t.,
either batteries or mains unit. If
this resistance is common to the
anodes of two or more valves it acts
as a coupling device between the
valves, in somewhat the same way
as the resistance we use for coupling
valves in an r.c. stage.

In modern receivers precautions
are now usually taken to prevent l.f.
instability by including in the de-
sign of the receiver devices which
deflect the fluctuating currents
away from the common h.t.
resistance.

Positive Proof.

These devices have proved to
be so successful that it has become
very much the fashion for the
"friend who knows a good bit about
wireless" to ascribe distortion and
general bad behaviour in an older
type of set to l.f. instability, and to
be rather free with advice about the
use of wire-wound resistances and
large fixed condensers, which, he
asserts, are a positive cure for all
types of poor reproduction.

Positive proof as to whether or
not distortion is caused by low-
frequency reaction due to battery
resistance would, therefore, be very
welcome.

This can very easily be done with
quite simple apparatus. All that
is required is a variable resistance
of some 400 or 500 ohms. An
ordinary potentiometer will do, the
slider terminal and one of the other
terminals being employed.

The Remedies.

If the suspected receiver has only
one positive h.t. lead, this resistance
should be inserted in series with it,
and the value of the resistance gradu-
ally increased, while receiving a
strong signal from the local.

If the distortion in the receiver
is being caused by resistance in the
h.t. supply source it is obvious that
an increase of resistance in the
common h.t. lead will produce an in-
crease of distortion. In fact, there
will be very little doubt about it,
since if the set is giving bad re-
production because it is on the
verge of l.f. oscillation, as soon as
a little extra resistance is added the
set, it will begin to howl.

No More Doubt.

If this occurs, all doubts as to the
cause of the distortion will be re-
moved and a cure can be effected
by feeding the detector valve and
possibly one of the l.f. valves
through a resistance of not less
than 20,000 ohms, the plate side of
which is connected to earth via a
condenser of about 2 mfd.

On the other hand, if the value
of the resistance which has been
artificially introduced into the pos-
itive h.t. lead can be increased to its
maximum without either extra dis-
tortion or actual howling, it can be
safely concluded that l.f. instability
is not present.

That being so, little benefit is
likely to follow the indiscriminate
use of anode resistances and con-
densers. Where the l.f. stages are
fed by more than one h.t. positive
lead the artificial resistance should
be inserted in each lead in turn.

Jazz Band Arrangement.

To anybody who has never seen a
jazz-band in a broadcasting studio
the arrangement seems very
strange. The trombone player sits
all by himself in the corner farthest
away from the microphone. The
trumpeter sits a little closer by,
but he, like the pianist, is still a
long way off from that sanctuary,
the "mixer." On the other hand the
saxophonists and especially the

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will
be broadcast to-day from the
Hong Kong Broadcasting Station
Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355
metres:

5-8 p.m.—European Programme
of Columbia Records kindly sup-
plied by the Anderson Music Co.

5-5.28 p.m.—Band Selections.

Triana (Lopez),
The Voice of the Guns (Alford),
The Regimental Band of
H.M. Grenadier Guards
(3844).

Softly Awakes My Heart from
"Samson & Delilah" (Saint-Saens),
Il Bacio (Arditi),
The Regimental Band of
H.M. Grenadier Guards
(4023).

El Abanico (Javeloyes),
Second to None (Ord Hume),
The Regimental Band of
H.M. Grenadier Guards
(4069).

Bond of Friendship (Rogan),
Strauss March (Mezzacopi),
The Regimental Band of
H.M. Grenadier Guards
(4369).

5.28-5.55 p.m.—Musical Comedy.

Vocal Duet—
Lido Lady—Here in My Arms,
Phyllis Dare & Jack Hulbert.

Song—
Lido Lady—Atlantic Blues,
Phyllis Dare, Soprano (4226).

Vocal Duet—
Good News—The Best Things in
Life are Free,
Good News—The Varsity Drag,
Layton & Johnstone (4982).

Song—
That's a Good Girl—Chirp Chirp,
Elsie Randolph, Comedienne.

Song—
That's a Good Girl—Sweet So & So,
Jack Buchanan (Comedian)
(4962).

5.55-6.13 p.m.—Octets.

Serenade (Gounod arr. Sear),
The J. H. Squire Celeste
Octet (4382).

Melody in F (Rubinstein arr. Sear),
Cavatina (Raff arr. Sear),
The J. H. Squire Celeste
Octet (4154).

Baby's Sweetheart (Corri),
Chanson (Friml),
The J. H. Squire Celeste
Octet (3897).

6.13-6.48 p.m.—Variety.

Saxophone Solo—
Llewellyn Waltz,
Souvenir—Rudy Wiedoeft (4076).

Vocal Duet—
Mon Coeur,
Maurice Chevalier & Yvonne
Vallee

Song—
Je Ne Dis pas Non,
Maurice Chevalier (Baritone)
(4402).

Orchestral—
Just a Memory,
Charmaine,
Jean Lensen & His Orchestra
(4535).

Humorous Dialogue—
The Parson in Defence of Parsons
("Yes, I Think So"),
Vivian Foster (The Vicar of
Mirth) (4113).

Song—
Come to the Cook-House Door,
The Skipper of the Mary Jane,
Harold Williams (Baritone)
(4366).

6.48-7.17 p.m.—

The Planets (Gustav Holst)—
Saturn (the Bringer of Old Age),
Neptune (the Mystic),
Mercury (the Winged Messenger),
Played by London Symphony
Orchestra Conducted by
Gustav Holst
L1532-L1542-3).

7.17-8 p.m.—A Concert.
Piano Duet—
Valse in D Flat (Chopin),
The Bees' Wedding (Bendelssohn),
Dorothy Folkard & Muriel
Warne (3944).

Song—
My Mother Bids Me Bind My Hair
(Mrs. Hunter-Haydn),
Dora Labette (Soprano)
(4809).

Violin Solo—
Poupee Valzante (Poldini-Kreiser),
The Song of Songs (Moyn),
Saatchi Jacobsen (4771).

Song—
In an Old-Fashioned Town (Squire),
Cobbler (Sanderson),
Edgar Coyle (Baritone)
(2899R).

Cello Solo—
Sonata in G Major—Vivace
(Sammartini arr. Moffat),
Alligretto (Bocherini-Kreiser),
Antoni Sala (4258).

Vocal Duet—
Very Own Pierrette (Allingham),
Dora Labette and Hubert
Elsdell (4897).

Piano Solo—
Chopinata (Airs from Chopin),
Wagneria (Airs from Wagner),
Comment Doucet (4036).

8 p.m.—Local Time.
8.03-11.30 p.m.—Relay from Ho
Shing Theatre.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

violinists are sitting very close to
the microphone, together with the
drummer. This arrangement was
chosen after a great deal of chop-
ping and changing, and even now it
is not definite whether that is the
ideal arrangement.—Malay Mail.

HOW TO MAKE A SHORT-WAVE
METER.

For finding your way about on
short wavelengths there is nothing
like an absorption wave-meter. And
nothing so simple, according to
Modern Wireless.

Just a short-wave coil in a holder,
with a good variable condenser
wired across it. That is all. No
valve, no buzzer, no trouble.

It has to be calibrated, of course,
and accurately, too. But this can
be done by any keen experimenter
simply by reversing its normal use,
which is as follows:

Easy to Work.

Set the wave-meter exactly to the
wave-length required, i.e. 31 metres,
and place the instrument close to
the receiving set, either on the same
table or immediately below or above
the set, so that the coil in the wave-
meter and the coil in the short-
wave set are only a yard or so
apart, with no metal between.

Now turn the reaction condenser
on the set until the receiver is gen-
tly oscillating, and then very gen-
tly rotate the tuning condenser, at

the same time increasing or de-
creasing reaction so as to keep the
set oscillating continuously, but
feebly. You will find that it can be
made to oscillate over the whole of
the wavelength range except in one
particular spot!

If the wave-meter is placed too
close to the receiving set there may
be a space of several degrees where
oscillation is affected. So it is a
good plan to move the wave-meter
about until a position is found where
the set will oscillate gently over the
whole of its range with the ex-
ception of the one very sharply de-
fined position.

At this point there appears to be
a "dead spot" on the tuning dial,
but if reaction and all the adjust-
ments are left alone and the tuning
condenser of the wave-meter is al-
tered away from its setting it will
be found that the set will oscillate
as freely at this point as at
any other, thereby proving that
it is the interaction between the set
and the wave-meter which is caus-
ing the failure to oscillate.

By setting the wave-meter to the
desired wave-length readings can

readily be plotted off on the receiv-
er's dial, thus making the finding
of any short-wave station a very
simple matter. And, conversely, by
taking readings from your tuned-
in set, an uncalibrated wave-meter
can soon be provided with sufficient
wave-lengths to draw the necessary
tuning curve.

It is, however, necessary to use
the greatest care if accuracy is to
be obtained. The stations tuned
in and used as "markers" must be
reliable ones, transmitting exactly
at the frequency on which they are
supposed to work.

Moreover, the coils must be
mounted rigidly, and must be so
constructed and handled that their
inductive value remains constant.
If, for instance, a coil is dropped
and its spacing between turns is
altered, the condenser reading for a
given station will be found to have
altered slightly when the coil in
question is used again.

But if the better-known constant
wave-length stations are selected as
"markers," and the calibrating is
done carefully, reliable readings on
the wave-meter will result.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

		Oct. 7, June, June,						Oct. 7, June, June,							
		1931.		1918.		1914.				1931.		1918.		1914.	
		Cts.		Cts.		Cts.				Cts.		Cts.		Cts.	
Butcher Meat.															
Beef Sirloin	中尾肥	lb.	38	24	12										
" Prime Cut	中尾	"	80	28	11										
" Corned	中尾	"	23	12											
" Roast	中尾	"	33	24	22										
" Breast	中尾	"	30	20	18										
" Soup	中尾	"	27	20	18										
" Steak	中尾	"	33	24	22										
" Steak Sirloin	中尾	"	46	30	35										
" Sausages	中尾	"	38	28	20										
Bullock's Brains	中尾	per set	17	10	12										
" Tongue, fresh	中尾	each	75	50	60										
" Tongue, corned	中尾	"	60	—	—										
" Head	中尾	"	\$1.20	—	\$1.20										
" Heart	中尾	lb.	24	18	14										
" Hump, Salt	中尾	"	—	20	18										
" Feet	中尾	each	12	10	12										
" Kidneys	中尾	"	15	10	12										
" Tail	中尾	"	27	20	22										
" Liver	中尾	lb.	24	13	14										
" Tripe	中尾	"	8	6	7										
Calves' Head & Feet	中尾	set	\$1.50	\$1.00	\$1.00										
Mutton Chop	中尾	lb.	44	23	—										
" Leg	中尾	"	44	23	—										
" Shoulder	中尾	"	40	24	—										
" Saddle	中尾	"	44	—	—										
Pig's Chittlings	中尾	Per set	8	—	—										
" Brains	中尾	lb.	18	15	—										
" Feet	中尾	"	30	15	18										
" Fry	中尾	"	20	20	—										
" Head	中尾	each	18	10	10										
" Heart	中尾	"	15	10	8										
" Kidneys	中尾	lb.	48	30	24										
" Liver	中尾	"	40	25	23										
Pork Chop	中尾	"	42	—	—										
" Leg	中尾	"	45	60	70										
" Loin	中尾	"	26	21	—										
" Fat or Lard	中尾	per set	80	60	70										
Sheep's Head & Feet	中尾	each	12	8	7										
" Heart	中尾	"	15	12	10										
" Kidneys	中尾	"	45	25	25										
" Liver	中尾	"	25	25	22										
Sucking Pigs, to order	中尾	lb.	80	20	18										
Suet, Beef	中尾	"	38	28	26										
" Mutton	中尾	"	22	20	20										
" Veal	中尾	"	28	—	—										
" Sausages	中尾	"	32	—	—										
" No. 1	中尾	"	—	—	—										
Fish.															
Barbel	中尾	lb.	56	16	24										
Bream	中尾	"	40	20	10										
Canton Fresh Water Fish	中尾	"	40	—	—										
Carp	中尾	"	45	13	16										
Catfish	中尾	"	48	16	27										
Codfish	中尾	"	48	12	9										
Crabs	中尾	"	60	16	17										
Cuttle Fish	中尾	"	30	23	26										
Dab	中尾	"	26	16	27										
Dace	中尾	"	60	23	10										
Dog Fish	中尾	"	22	1	—										
Eels, Conger	中尾	"	60	10	8										
" Fresh Water	中尾	"	60	10	—										
" Yellow	中尾	"	58	10	8										
Frogs	中尾	"	82	26	30										
Garoupa	中尾	1.00	32	25	—										
Gudgeon	中尾	"	26	40	30										
Herrings	中尾	"	34	22	18										
Haddock	中尾	"	44	13	23										
Labrus	中尾	"	48	13	15										
Loach	中尾	"	82	22	13										
Lobsters	中尾	"	64	62	24										
Mackerel	中尾	"	56	32	21										
Monk Fish	中尾	"	60	20	20										
Mullet	中尾	"	44	13	2										
Oysters	中尾	"	46	12	2										
" Oysters	中尾	"	35	14	9										
Parrot Fish	中尾	"	32	30	15										
Perch	中尾	"	50	16	9										
Pike	中尾	"	50	36	20										
Plaice	中尾	"	50	36	20										
Pomfret, White	中尾	"	64	36	30										
Pomfret, Black	中尾	"	44	36	45										
Prawns	中尾	"	82	10	14										
Ray	中尾	"	30	10	14										
Rock Fish	中尾	"	30	13	18										
Roach	中尾	"	42	22	10										
Salmon	中尾	"	60	30	30										
Shark	中尾	"	22	8	10										
Skate	中尾	"	22	10	10										
Shrimps	中尾	"	60	30	30										
Snapper	中尾	"	55	22	28										
Soles	中尾	"	45	22	33										
Tench	中尾	"	42	20	35										
Turbot	中尾	"	42	12	12										
Turtles, small fr. water	中尾	"	1.50	40	—										
Poultry.															
Chicken	中尾	lb.	58	30	31										
Capons, Small	中尾	"	60	23	30										
Capons, Large	中尾	"	64	23	30										
Duck	中尾	"	54	22	21										
Doves	中尾	each	30	22	21										
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	中尾	per doz.	33	13	—										
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	中尾	"	48	25	20										
Fowls, Canton	中尾	lb.	72	36	24										
Fowls, Hainan	中尾	"	50	35	24										
Geese	中尾	"	56	24	24										
Pigeons, Canton	中尾	each	60	30	—										
" Hothow	中尾	"	40	23	—										
Turkeys, Cook	中尾	lb.	80	—	—										
Turkeys, Hen	中尾	"	64	31	45										
Snipe	中尾	each	30	—	—										
Pheasant	中尾	pair	—	—	—										
Quail	中尾	each	—	—	—										
Partridges	中尾	"	—	—	—										
Fruits.															
Almonds	中尾	lb.	80	35	—										
Apples (California)	中尾	"	42	26	—										
Bananas (bride's)	中尾	"	8	4	—										
Carambola	中尾	"	22	12	—										
Coconuts	中尾	each	14	10	10										
Lemons, China	中尾	lb.	12	25	30										
Lemons (American)	中尾	each	18	8	—										
Lichees, Dried	中尾	lb.	1.00	25	30										
Oranges (Canton)	中尾	"	—	—	—										
Oranges	中尾	"	—	—	15										
Pears (Canton)	中尾	"	28	—	—										
Peanuts	中尾	"	14	10	12										
Persimmons, Large	中尾	"	16	12	—										
Plantain	中尾	"	5	8	—										
Pineapple, Siam	中尾	each	18	12	6										
Walnuts	中尾	lb.	30	—	16										
Grapes	中尾	"	70	—	—										
Vegetables, &c.															
Artichokes	中尾	each	14	—	2										
Beans, Sprout	中尾	lb.	7	—	7										
" Long	中尾	"	18	—	8										
Beet Root	中尾	"	16	—	—										
Bitter Squash	中尾	"	8	24	—										
Brinjals, Green	中尾	"	8	5	3										
" Red	中尾	"	8	5	3										
Cabbage, Chinese	中尾	"	12	—	—										
" (Shanghai)	中尾	"	—	12	—										
Cane Shoots, bunch	中尾	"	8	—	—										
Cauliflower (Large)	中尾	each	—	—	—										
" (Medium)	中尾	"	—	—	—										
" (Small)	中尾	"	—	—	—										
Carrots	中尾	lb.	16	5	6										
Celery, Chinese	中尾	"	14	10	6										
Chillies, Dried	中尾	"	18	25	6</										

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BRITISH PREMIER'S BIRTHDAY.

Message from King and Queen.
MANY CONGRATULATIONS.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Prime Minister left London this morning for Seaham Harbour to conduct his personal election campaign. A large crowd assembled at the station to wish him success and to congratulate him on his 65th birthday celebrated to-day. A large number of messages of congratulation, including a telegram from the King and Queen, were received by Mr. MacDonald.—British Wireless Service.

AMERICA'S NAVY.

Plea for the London Stipulations.

Washington, October 3.
Senator Frederick Hale of Maine, chairman of the senate naval affairs committee, and Congressman Fred A. Britten of Illinois, chairman of the house committee, announced to-day that they will introduce bills in the next session of congress mandating that the navy be built up to the strength limits provided for in the London naval treaty.

This was their answer to the orders of President Herbert Hoover for the navy to cut its budget for 1933 to \$360,000,000 from \$401,000,000.

Britten and Hale have been in conference at length on the subject.

To Lay Up.
It was learned to-day that the navy, in order to comply with President Herbert Hoover's reduction programme, plans to lay up one-fifth of the fleet and reduce the enlisted force by several thousand.

Some vessels in all classes ranging from battleships to submarines will be withdrawn from service and placed in charge of care-taking crews.

Details of the curtailment programme are as yet not completed. President Hoover ordered the navy to reduce its 1933 budget from \$401,000,000 to \$360,000,000.—United Press.

MONUMENT UNVEILED TO GREGOR MENDEL.

A monument was unveiled to the memory of Gregor Mendel, the discoverer of the laws of plant heredity, at Neutitschein during the Silesian Cultural Week, held recently. In addition, an exhibition of many of Mendel's personal belongings was held at his birthplace, Heinzendorf, near by.

Leading botanists and natural scientists from all parts of Europe were present at the ceremony. The monument, which has been worked out of a boulder of Silesian granite, consists of a number of reproductions of plant life surrounding the marble bust of the great researcher, who is represented as a deep and kindly thinker. This is the second monument to Mendel, the first having been erected some years ago at Althbrunn near the Augustinian cloister, in the gardens of which he carried out his researches.

EUROPE'S MONETARY SITUATION.

General Feeling of Optimism.
RENEWAL OF CREDITS.

Basle, Yesterday.
Generally an optimistic feeling prevails regarding future developments is the opinion of a high official of the Bank of International Settlements.

FLOOD RELIEF.

Reminder of King's Theatre.

In aid of the Yangtze Flood Relief Fund, special pictures are to be screened at the King's Theatre to-morrow, the Directors of the China Entertainment and Land Investment Co. having generously agreed to devote the entire proceeds to this most deserving cause.

Prices will be as usual, and in all there will be four excellent pictures screened. These, kindly lent free for the occasion by the Paramount Film of China, Inc., and Fox Film of China, Inc., and Fox Film Corporation, will be as follows: 2.30 p.m.—"Charlie Chan Carries On."

5.10 p.m.—"Dishonoured."

7.15 p.m.—"Vagabond King."

9.30 p.m.—"Don't Bet on Women."

It is hoped that there will be large attendances, in order that the relief fund may substantially benefit.

Corpses Everywhere!
A Shanghai paper states: The Chinese Foreign Famine Relief Committee, 12 Jinke Road, has allocated to date \$468,000 for food and clothing and these funds are being handled by twelve sub-committees in the strategic centres of the famine areas.

These sub-committees are composed of representative Chinese, and the Protestant and Catholic Missionaries. News to hand from distributors of food in the great lake flooded areas in North Kiangsu, tell of the people dying on all hands, and corpses are met with everywhere. As the winter approaches there will be an even greater demand for food and clothing for the starving people.

International Settlements whose board concluded its session with a long discussion on the general monetary situation and decided to renew the existing credits of the Reichsbank, and the Banks of Austria and Yugo-Slavia, and invite to Basle the representatives of the Central Banks of Central Europe and the Balkans which restricted currency operations with the object that the conference should be able to co-ordinate regulations and mitigate inconveniences.—Reuter.

A musical version of the "Pickwick Papers" will probably be produced shortly at a New York Theatre.

BURMA ROUND TABLE.

Chairman and Party Delegates.
PERSONNEL.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Chairman of the projected Burma Round Table Conference and delegates from British political parties who will attend are as follows:—

Chairman—Lord Peel.

Conservative Party Delegates—Earl Winterton and Mr. J. S. Wardlaw-Milne.

Liberal Party Delegates—Viscount Mersey and Mr. Isaac Foot.

Labour Party Delegates—Mr. G. H. Hall and Major Graham Polc.—British Wireless Service.

U.S. DICTATORSHIP?

Purely Economic and Non-Partisan.

Philadelphia, October 2.
Major General Smedley Butler of the marine corps, who retired on October 1, fulfilled the predictions of his friends when he crashed into the limelight again to-day with the proposal of a gigantic economic dictatorship in America.

Butler said there was a group of multi-millionaires who possess a total wealth exceeding \$5,000,000,000 who are willing to relinquish half of their fortunes in an effort to establish a form of beneficent dictatorship.

He said these men have recently been discussing such a plan, which would foster roadbuilding, schooling, promotion of inventions, infant industries and other activities under an "extra-governmental agency headed by a man without capitalistic or partisan parties."

Butler proposed that congress legalize such a dictatorship.—United Press.

GEOMETRY ACHIEVES ANGLE TRISECTION.

The trisection of the angle by Euclidean geometry, believed for 2,500 years to be impossible, has been accomplished by the Rev. J. J. Callahan, president of Duquesne University.

It was one of three problems of geometry considered insoluble. The others are the reduplication of the cube—that is, finding a cube with volume double that of a given cube; and the squaring of the circle, or finding a square or some other rectilinear figure equal in area to a given circle.

The Tsang Foo Villa case, in which 12 Chinese are charged with the wilful murder of a Japanese at Kowloon City on the night September 26, will be opened at the Kowloon Magistracy on Monday next, at 2.30 p.m.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Guilherme Alberto Yvanovich Vieira Ribeiro, of 6, Minden Terrace, Kowloon, and Hortencia Maria D'Aquino Jorge, of 2, Saifce Terrace, Kowloon.

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